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SERIOUS COMPLICATIONS.

The Anti-Lynch Sentiment in England Being Cooled

And Retarded—Rev. Peter Stanford, Birmingham's Colored Preacher's Proposed trip to America Off.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

It will be a surprise to many of your readers and my personal friends to learn that for the present at least, my visit to the United States has been postponed, reason for same is explained by appended clipping from the Birmingham Daily Gazette:

"A meeting of the committee of the Lynch Law Repression Mission was held at County Chambers, Corporation street last week, Mr. Herbert M. Carr presiding. Satisfaction was expressed that the action of the committee had resulted in several Governors taking measures for the repression of lynching outrages, but regret was expressed at the methods adopted by the delegates of the London Anti-Lynching committee in conducting their investigations in the United States, which have given rise to severe adverse criticism by both the British and the American press. The committee felt, however, that every facility should be afforded to the authorities in the United States in their efforts for the preservation of law and order, and that under the circumstances the interests of the American colored people would be best served by the abandonment for the present of the Rev. Peter Stanford's proposed mission. It was further resolved that a British branch of the Equal Rights Council be formed and affiliated with the parent Council in America. The object of this Council is to secure for the American colored people the enjoyment of equal rights of citizenship, both social and political, as provided by the constitution of their country."

I have no comment to make at the present juncture other than to say that the serious complications that have arisen owing to the incautious action and interference of several organizations, whose leaders are supposed to be interested friends of the colored race, have occasioned this change in arrangements; but I may mention that there are some good and shrewd watchmen upon the lookout towers of truth in this country waiting further developments, and time which tests all things will prove who are the genuine champions of the Afro-American race.

Accept my congratulations upon your able speakers and glorious success of the campaign in which the hand of the Master can be seen all along the line, leading on to victory for the sons of Ham. I am faithfully yours,

PETER STANFORD,
England's Colored Preacher.

Birmingham, Eng.

THE PUBLIC RHETORICALS.

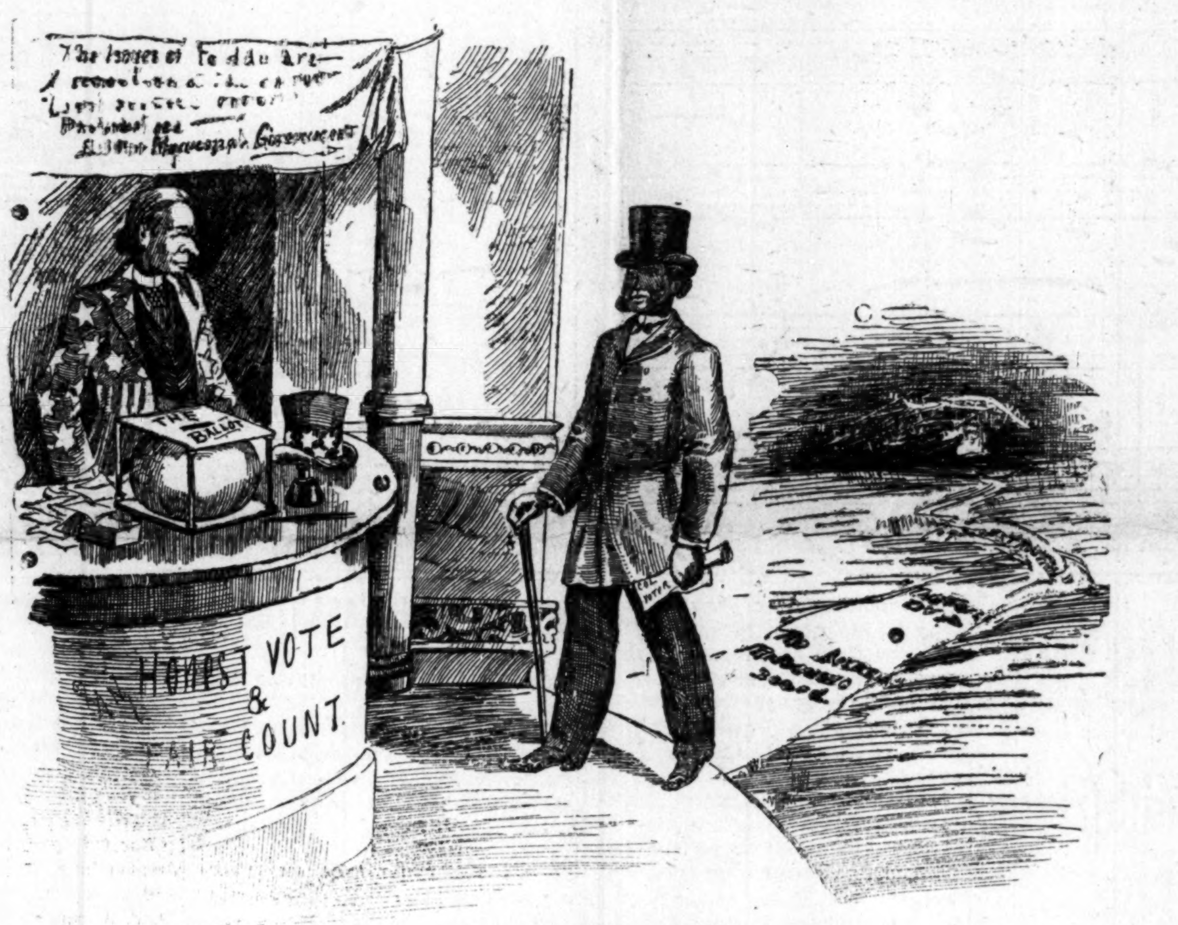
Some Fine Orations and Papers—The Student's Conference.

Nashville, Tenn., Special.

The second series of public rhetoricals that are held throughout the school year of Fisk University was held in the Memorial Chapel on Friday evening, Nov. 23rd. Quite a large and enthusiastic audience was present to hear the young folks display their eloquence. At half-past seven the speakers, preceded by the president, marched into the chapel. The exercises were opened with a piano solo by Miss Carney. Prayer was offered by Prof. Eugene Harris; vocal solo, "An Evening Song," by Miss Robinson; Clarence Kirby of Clarksville, Tenn., was the first speaker of the evening. He chose as his subject "Heroism," and left us with the idea that true heroism is not done under excitement but with a calm composed mind. Miss Mamie Williams of Franklinton, read an interesting essay on the charisteristics of Whittier's poems, which let us enter in freely the trend of that wonderful man's thought. An historical and neatly prepared essay, subject, "Religious Element" in English literature was read by Miss Lillie Alexander of Arkansas; A piano solo, sonata No. 3, was rendered by Miss Emma Stockdale. "Distinctive Character" was the impressive thought of Miss Tommy Woodward's essay. To thine own self be true, is a thought she left with us. Julian Ware of Chicago entered into his subject as if making a center rush in a game of foot ball. He thinks the United States should take warning by the political career of France. The United States Navy was eulogized upon by Charlie Hadley of Nashville. "The Debt of the Musical World to Jews," was the subject of an oration by Augustus Lawson of Shelbyville, Ky. He said, "Though the Jews are a despised and rejected race yet they have contributed to the world's greatest art some of the best and most noted contributions." Wm Debery of Nashville spoke on a corrupt judiciary; dishonor and injustice very often entered into the courts under the robe of honor and justice. "A National Academy" was the subject of an oration by Samuel Jefferson of Jacksonville, Fla., and which he thought would be the source by which we would have pure English.

"Wait" says Miss Dowdell of Albany, Ga.; her essay was full of wise sayings and good counselings. J. L. Willey, of Woodberry, Tenn., jumped on the Democratic party with both feet. His subject was the "Democratic party a recreant trust." He said it was only a sounding brass and a tinkling cymble. A piano solo by John Dodson, was the end of the program. The president dismissed us with the benediction.

Dr. R. E. Boyd will read a paper before the phi kappa rho, Dec. 7th, on "Mortality." Hon. W. A. Croswait will also read one on "Arrests among colored people. Mrs. J. H. Disumkes died on the 21st. Wm. McGavock and Miss Patience Duncan were united in marriage last Wednesday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Moore, 720 Gay street. H. T. Noel and family can be found at their home at 903 S. Sumner street. The Student's conference convened at Roger Williams University Friday, the 30th, ult., at 7:30 p. m., in its first session. John W. Work, Jr., of Fisk University of the class of '95, will deliver the annual address. The school session will be held to day, at Central Tennessee college. President Louis G. Gregory, of Fisk University, will handle the gavel.



UNCLE SAM SOLILOQUISING.

"I told them are cusses, that ar band of scoundrels who tried their derndest to break up the Union, that in time the Negro would make one of our best citizens, and its mighty strange to me, that if we hev power ter pertect American citizens abroad and arbitrate fer the benefit and peace of sich half way barbarians as them critters fighting each other over thar in China, that we can't find law enough to protect our loyal citizens at home in their right to ask for and obtain honest employment, to be tried by civilized, instead of lynch law, to cast one honest vote, and have it honestly counted.

Preached His Farewell Sermon.

North Birmingham, Ala., Special.

The dedication of the Baptist church was a grand success. Rev. T. W. Walker preached at 11 a. m.; Rev. J. L. Jordan preached a noble sermon at 3:30 p. m.; Rev. Jackson at 7:30 p. m. Rev. W. A. Shirley and his congregation were present, and his excellent choir furnished music. Rev. J. A. Peel left on the 20th, ult., for the Baptist State Convention, which was held at Anniston, Ala. Mrs. Mary Edwards left on an extended trip to Montgomery, Selma and Greensboro. Mrs. Emma Pettis has returned home from Montgomery, where she has been attending the State Fair. Annie Kimball has returned from Decatur. M. P. Shelton was called to the bedside of his wife at Greensboro. Rev. R. Gray preached his farewell sermon on the 18th, ult., and left for conference and carried a grand report spiritually and financially. Mrs. Mary Thompson is on the sick list. Mattie, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Watts, is quite sick. H. T. Butler has rheumatism. Bart Arnold died on the 12th inst., and was buried from the First Baptist church of which he was a member. He leaves a wife and two children. Rev. J. A. Peel preached the funeral sermon. Mrs. Percilla Roberson is on the sick list. The wedding bells will soon ring in North Birmingham. Mr. and Mrs. Brent's baby is very sick. The First Baptist church has organized a choir with J. C. Caloway as president. The A. M. E. church has a fine choir with Mrs. Virginia Watts as organist. Mrs. Alice Shields is out again after an illness of three weeks, as is also Mrs. Gertrude Foster's baby.

Wedding Bells.

Texarkana, Ark., Special.

The annual conference swept through our city with a radiance of intelligence. Rev. A. J. Williams was moved to Prescott. He has gone to inspect his field. This leaves Revs. Reed and Hoston to wonder where their lots will be cast. Last Sunday was corner-stone laying at Canaan Baptist Church. At 11:00 p. m, Rev. Bartlett of Mt. Zion Baptist church, on the Texas side, preached an interesting sermon; subject: "They all with one consent began to make complaints." That divine handled this subject in an edifying manner and much to the satisfaction of his hearers. We could see on the lips of all, "come again."

Mrs. Mose Smith died suddenly one day last week. Dr. Boyd, late of Washington, D. C., from government service, is in our city, but will leave soon for his field of labor. Miss Maude Butler left for the Cotton Palace at Waco. The nuptial knot was tied last Wednesday night between Rev. Store and Mrs. Damons. Another one will take place Sunday night at the Tabernacle between H. Smith and Miss Daisy Hinton. Within a year our city will have electric cars.

Thought Dead but Recovering.

Clarenden, Ark., Special.

Mr. Thompson who received a severe stroke on last Sunday in a racket with a man and his wife, and was thought dead, is recovering. Rev. Johnson, our pastor for the next year, preached Sunday for the first time. The people are much pleased with him. The Dorothy Opera company and the Vital Opera company entertained the people at the Opera House three nights last week. Circuit court convened here Monday, the 26th, ult. Miss Mosby, of Holly Grove, was in the city last Thursday enroute to Stutgart, and called on Miss Teana Brown and mother while waiting for the train. The officials got after three "blind tigers" and succeeded in capturing three of them. The prisoners of this county was brought in from the farm last week. Rev. Wildman, our ex-pastor, who has served so faithfully in the A. M. E. church, left Saturday night for his future work at Stutgart. Anyone wishing brickwork done, such as flues and chimneys, call on Mr. Thornton, on Second street. Rev. Loch, of Holly Grove, was in town Saturday. Our presiding elder, Rev. Whitesides, enroute home from conference, stopped over to see his many friends. Th people of this city are much pleased with this place being made a station.

Drowned in the River.

Coldwell, Tenn., Special.

Misses Nannie and Ella Bomar have returned home from Shelbyville, Tenn. Miss Nannie — is on the sick list. Henry Bomar left for Manchester Tuesday last. Miss Lucinda Osborn was drowned recently. The little girl was carrying some water from the river to water some swine which Mrs. Davidson had. Sallie Hoover came in for an evening talk, and brought with her a bucket to carry back some water, and asked Lucindia to get it for her. The little girl did as requested, and while gone fell into the water and was drowned. Mrs. Susie Maupin has lots of sewing on hand to do for her neighbors the coming week. Rev. H. Solomon, the pastor of the A. M. E. church, had a grand rally for the purpose of paying his expenses of moving his family, Saturday night. Mrs. Martha Moore who has been sick for the last month, is able to be getting about. The boys have organized a new brass band. A very pleasant social was given by Miss R. E. Stephens and Mrs. Ann Cleveland at their residence in South East Coldwell, on last Wednesday evening, to a few special friends. Mrs. Caroline Holbert is able to be out again after a few days illness. Rev. H. Solomon says give him The Freeman, for it is the best race paper of the United States. Mrs. Etta Hodge is visiting her friends at Wartrace. Remember kind subscribers that I collect for The Freeman every Saturday.

Bull Fighting all the Rage.

Eagle Pass, Tex., Special.

Capt. R. G. Ellis and Mr. Butters are attending the bull fight. The county court has adjourned. Only one committed. Prof. B. Berry's school is increasing every day. J. W. Hunter will return home soon. R. W. Dowe was installed in his office a few days ago. Miss L. Jones and Miss Marge Dimry are expecting to visit the Misses Butlers soon. A. Dimry arrived recently from Bracketville. Mrs. Dimry has returned home. Mrs. Johnson will spend the winter with her son, W. L. McCreary.

Left for the Reservation.

Leadville, Col., Special.

Mrs. Morgan Robinson who was on the sick list is convalescent. The ladies of the A. M. E. church gave a Thanksgiving dinner at the church from 2 to 11 o'clock. Mr. Dick Henry and wife accompanied by Miss Mary Artman and Mrs. R. Sharnton left here last week for the reservation. Mrs. Thornton goes to Pueblo. Nelson Johnson was summoned to Cripple Creek Monday to the bedside of his dying brother. The ladies of the A. M. E. church had a Thanksgiving dinner at the Mrs. Ella Ellis, of Omaha, who is to be a resident of this place, is in the city the guest of Mrs. Racket Carter. George Motley's residence was nearly destroyed by fire on the night of the 20th, ult. The weather is all that we could wish for at this time of the year. J. W. Young is preparing to build an addition to his residence.

K. of P. Ball.

Mobile, Ala., Special.

The K. of P. gave a fancy ball at the Gilmer's Armory Monday night, Nov. 21st. Friday, the 23d, ult., Miss Reed, a teacher in the public school [illegible] Jan. 1st every son of Ham should turn out to celebrate the Emancipation Proclamation. Miss Jennie Carraway, the favorite musician, is still managing the "Haymakers."

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Jackets 40 inches long going for $5.00.
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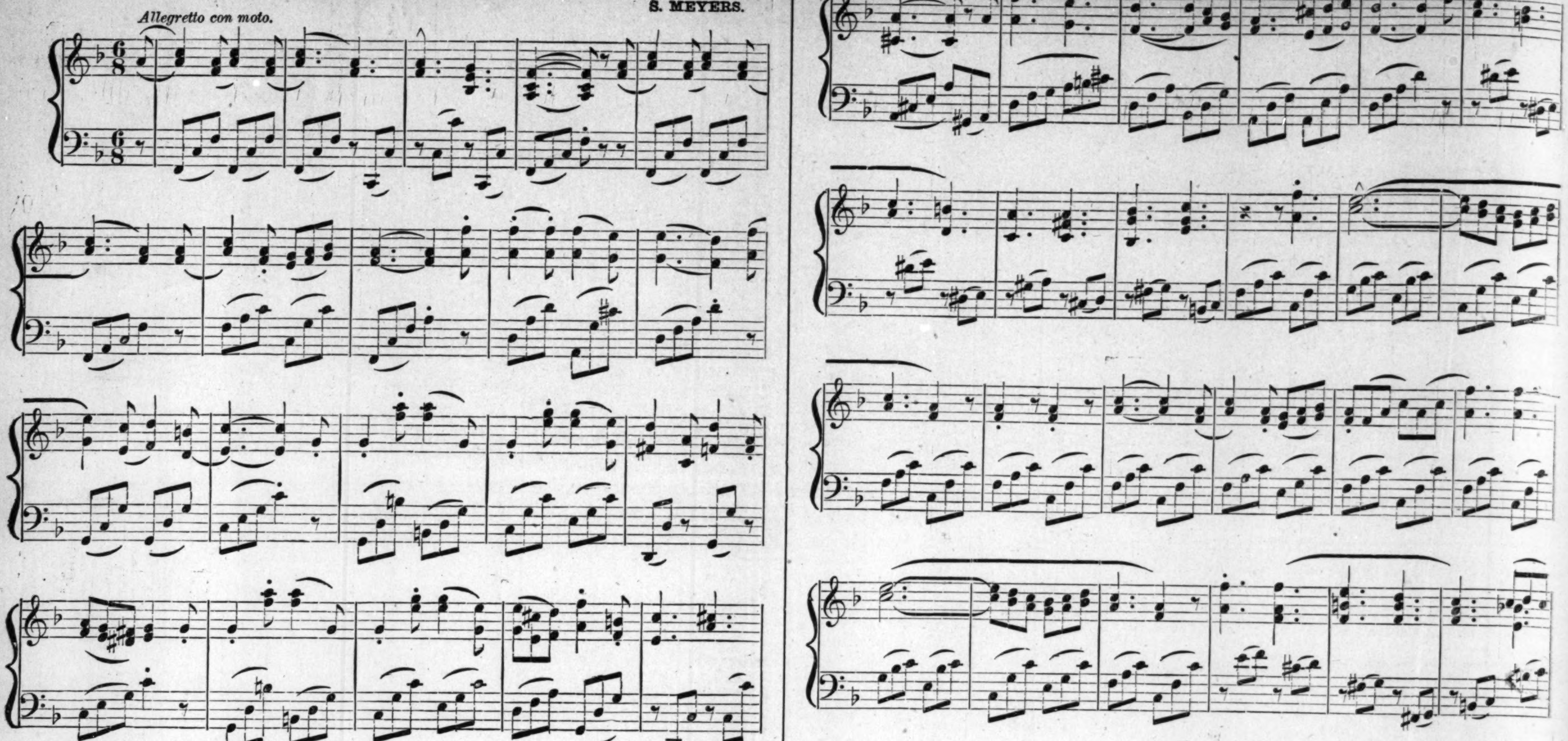

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The doings of Penn and Quilldriver, Editors, Journalists, Etc.

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CHAPTER V.

UNEASY LIES THE DIPLOMATIC HEAD.

He who enters the political arena to get a fat office, leaves peace of mind and friends behind. He passes sleepless nights and peaceless days until the minor positions under him are all filled His cup of woe is not then full, for those of his "friends" who were willing to serve their country under his generalship, for a goodly sum of Uncle Sam's greenbacks or brownback, who did not get an appointment, make it so hot for him that he soon wishes that he had died before he was born. His mail grows from one or two unpaid bills, and now and then an advertising circular to tons of letters, petitions, congratulations, demands, newspapers, clippings of puffs and all other known first, second, third and one hundredth class mail matter. He is obliged to hire a scribe and sometimes two or three. He goes to bed "Old Tom Jones" and gets up in the morning the "Hon. Thomas Jones, our distinguished townsman, whose name as a statesman is known from Maine to California." Human nature is but human nature, so he gets puffed up, wind heavy, as it were, and feels his fodder, oats and hay. As he walks the streets he does not notice the common plebeians, but appears to be holding an ocular conversation with some state official in Mars or some other planet. He is soon called back to earth, called down, as it were from things celestial to things terrestial, by those of his friends he did not or could not appoint to minor places under his wing. He goes back from the "Hon. Thomas Jones" etc., etc., to "that d— old cuss, Tom Jones." He then realizes the truth that the pathway to wealth and honor he has chosen has many hills and muddy holes.

The Hon. A S. Penn, U. S. Minister to the North Pole, had ten positions under him to fill, and one hundred and and ten "Negro Democrats"—just all of this unnatural tribe in the United States—wanted the positions. They demanded the positions, in fact backing their claims by petitions a yard wide, if not all wool, all brass. You can see at once in what a cavity Bro. Penn was located. Matters were made worse by Col. N. T. Bellum sending in the names of seven white men with a short pointed note under scored, which said: "Penn, appoint these gentlemen at once." They were given the seven best paying positions, and Bro. Penn struggled with the problem how to put one hundred and ten "Negro Democrats" in three places. He found that he had a puzzle which knocked the "15" one and the "pigs in the clover" out in one round.

The only positions he had left were one Keeper of Seals and two Inspectors of Icebergs, jobs Col. N. T. Bellum concluded were too cold and the pay too small for white men, so he told Hon. Penn to give them to some of the "colored boys," as our political friends of both parties delight in calling Afro-American voters.

To make matters still worse, "Negro Democrats" commenced to spring up with a rapidity that would make a mushroom blush with shame.

Before started for his post of duty there were all told 203 "Negro Democrats" in the United States who were willing to fill the three positions vacant.

There is no use in filling a diplomatic position unless you are able in a crisis like that which confronted the Hon. Penn, to use a better diplomacy. Bro. Penn was equal to the occasion. He "pledged his word" just like white politicians or office holders would do, to the 203 "Negro Democrats" to give each one of them one of the three vacant places, and quietly appointed his two sons and his nephew, and sailed away for his post of duty.

He doubtless had foresight enough to see that the Democrats would not be in power long, and wisely concluded to make hay for himself and family while the Democratic sun was shining upon Uncle Sam's clover.

Several "leading" (we don't know who or what they led unless it was the hope of getting an office) Negro Democrats emulated the wayward son of Bible history, and were at last accounts asking their Republican fathers to replace their names upon the family list, and give them a job feeding the pigs and a written permit to sleep in the barn as the loyal Afro sons object to rooming with the Democratic returns. In the mean time the political foes of the Hon. Penn are trying to get him out of his office with what success, we will inform you in another chapter.

We don't believe however, in trying to get a colored man out of office, no matter what matter what party put him in, as there are few enough in office, and its ten to one after getting him out that the powers that be, will further ignore your petition and appoint a brother in white.

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"SELECTED PLEASANTRIES."

Twynn—Why are people that can't act called actors?

Triplett—For the same reason that a play that does not attract is called an "attraction," and the most worthless stocks and bonds are always alluded to as "securities."—Town Topics.

THE USUAL PROGRAM.

Lady—"My foot seems to be swelled."

Shoe Dealer—"These No. 2 shoes have been in stock so long that they have shrunk."

Lady—"I really believe my joints are enlarged."

Dealer—"Most likely these shoes are wrongly marked. They may be No. 1's."

Lady—"I certainly can't get them on."

Dealer—"Your instep is high. I will get another pair with a higher instep. All persons of noble ancestry have high insteps."

Dealer (back part of the store, two minutes later)—'Quick, George, rub the marks off those Number Sixes and give them to that woman in front."—Street and Smith's Weekly.

A Patient Husband—"If you go first," murmured the wife of his bosom to the sick man, "you will wait for me on the other shore, will you not, love?"

"I s'pose I'll have to," he grumbled. "I never went anywhere yet without having to wait for you at least half an hour."—New York Times.

Deacon—The Dorcas Society is quite monopolized by the girls. Hadn't we better call it the Young Ladies' Dorcas Society, and form another for the older women?

Minister—If you change the name as you suggest, there will be no need for another.—Town Topics.

An artist in luck.—Cora—"I hear your friend, the artist, is making some headway?"

Merritt—"Yes this month he gave up cooking his breakfast in his studio, and by the fall he hopes to be to hire a room to sleep in."—Puck

Bacon—"I knew that man Carr would make his way to the front."

Edgar—"And has he?" "Why, yes; he started as a conductor on the Fourth avenue cars, and now he's a driver!"—Yonkers Statesman.

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QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

In Session—Good Schools and Prosperous Churches.

Blacksburg, Va., Special.

Eight miles from the N. and W. railroad, on the summit of the Alleghanies, 2 100 feet above sea level is located the little town of Blacksburg with about 2 000 inhabitants, about one fourth of whom are colored. It is here that the farmers Military V. A. M. College (white) is situated. This school, together with the coal fields which are in proximity to this place, form the nucleus of business. We have two churches, namely, the Baptist, whose pastor is Rev. John Henderson; and the A. M. E., whose pastor is Rev. Hardy. Of these gentlemen we shall say more at another writing. We have two barber shops and a public school, which is now in session under the management of Mrs. C. G. Williams. Nearly all of our colored citizens own their homes and represent considerable wealth; prominent among whom are Messrs. Spencer Johnson, Flem Johnson, Mrs Frances Page, Messrs. Henry Vaughan and Sam Steward and several others whose names space forbids mention. We are sorry to note that our town has been sadly neglected religiously and educationally in the past, but we are now trying to make a brighter history for the present. What we need is better organization and a united action for everything that tends towards advancement. Our girls and boys should spend more time at home reading race literature and journals, thence by keeping abreast of the times, and at the same time instilling race pride. The Freeman should be in every home. Mrs. Dorsey Miller, who has been circulating among friends in Radford, has returned to spend the winter. Miss Ollie E. Page and Prof. C. A. Powell, of Caristianburg Normal school, paid us a visit recently. John Eaves wears a broad smile—its a girl. Mother and daughter are doing well. Quarterly conference is in session at the A. M. E. church, Rev. Straines, P. E, officiating. Rev. Hardy was called to Danville, Va., last week to the bedside of his mother. Although it was freezing and snowing last Sunday afternoon, Rev. Henderson baptized several candidates. We are to have a literary organization in the near future. There are a number of strangers in our midst just now under the employment of Messrs. Richardson and Cooley, the noted colored contractors, of Marion, who have done several thousand of dollars worth of building here since last June. Quiltings in our town have become quite a source of pleasure for the young folks. If you are a lover of your race, prove it by subscribing for The Freeman. The agent will gladly deliver you a Freeman every week. Call on him. We are glad to see new interest bursting forth at the First Baptist Sunday school, as was evinced by the large attendance last Sunday.

Baptist Sisters Gave a Supper.

Dardanelle, Ark., Special.

Miss Alice Austin left town Saturday for farther west. W. J. Davis returned home last week from Ft. Smith. The sisters of the Baptist church gave a supper last Friday night which was a success. The proprietor of the Palace barber shop, J. E. Helm, has put in a first class bath outfit. He and W J. Davis have also opened up a restaurant and oyster parlor. Robt. H. Crockett relative of Davy Crockett, will visit our city on the 20th. Rev. Dancle the new A. M. E. preacher preached his first sermon here last Wednesday night. Miss Ann May is visiting her brother at Russelville. Her sister Della has not yet returned from her visit to Little Rock. A hot conversation arose between two Baptist preachers which came very near resulting in a fight. The Freeman is building up a great fame here among our people, and is praised as the leading colored journal.

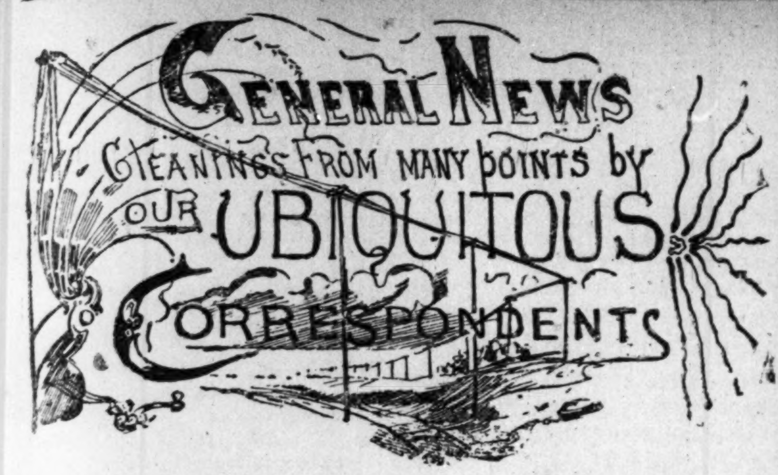
Should Not Fail to Read It.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Dear Sir:—I have returned, and was truly glad to know that your great paper was still moving onwards. My subscribers say that they could not be without it, and for my part I would not be satisfied without it. I hope all of our race will read it every week, for no intelligent person should fail to read it. I hope you all great success.

D. W. WOODALL,

Cartersville, Ga.



A SERIOUS ACCIDENT.

Will Worship in a New Edifice—Wedding Bells—Personals.

South Charleston, O., Special.

Rev. Webster of the Methodist Episcopal church, preached a very theological and practical sermon to the Shorter Chapel A. M. E. church Sabbath morning. The pastor, Rev. D. S Moten, was gratified at the pleasant visit of Rev. Webster. The Sunday school service was extra interesting The superintendent, Mrs. Elcie T. Winslow, is an efficient and earnest Sunday school worker. The Y. P. S. C. E. meeting led by Miss Melvina Peterson at 6:30 p. m. was a grand one The Rev. D S. Moten, at 7:30 preached from Matt. 7:12; theme: "Golden Rule." There was a church social under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society at Mrs. Lucie Walker's on Nov. 24th. Mr. Munford, a student of Wilberforce University, will take charge of the church choir in connection with Wm Mitchell the chorister. Thanksgiving day, the Rev. D. S. Moten preached the Thanksgiving sermon at 10:30 a. m. Theme: "Thanksliving and Thanksgiving." Text: Be filled with the spirit, giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Eph. 5:18 20. Rev. D. S. Moten also preached the Thanksgiving sermon at Lee Chapel A. M E. church, Jeffersonville in the afternoon at 3 o'clock. A grand social was held the same evening at 7:30 p. m. Cards are out for the marriage of Miss Lydia Washington to David Moten, jr., both of Winchester, Texas, on Thursday evening at eight o'clock, Dec 20, '94. The Rev. D. S. Moten of Wilberforce, O, will officiate. The Rev. Moten on his return trip will visit the following Reverends: St Paul A. M. E. church, Waco, Tex., Rev. T. C. Denham, D D., pastor; Paul Quinn College, Denison, Tex., A. M. E. church, Rev. W. D. F. Pyle, D. D. pastor; Atoka, Indian Territory, office of the People's Protector, Prof H. A. Guess, B. D., editor; Kansas City A. M. E church, Rev. Dr. Parks, pastor; St. Paul A. M. E. church, St. Louis, Mo., pastored by Rev. D. N. Preston; Bethel A M. E church, pastored by Rev. T. W. Henderson, D D., Allen Chapel, Rev. T. Price pastor, both of Indianapolis; The Freeman of Indianapolis will be most assuredly visited; the A. M. E church of Richmond, Ind, pastored by the Rev. I. M. Burgan, D. D., ex-president of Paul Quinn College will be most delightfully looked in upon, if possible. Miss Nettie Walker has returned from her visit to Michigan. She took an active part in the Y. P. S. C. E as usual Sunday evening. Aaron Myers, sr., president Y P. S. C. E. met with a serious but not fatal accident recently. He got a fall. He is now convalescent. The Baptist congregation is expecting a grand rally Sunday in their newly built church edifice—a very beautifully constructed building. Shorter Chapel congregation and pastor received a special written invitation to be in attendance.

Shall the Colored Man Live in History?

Editor Freeman:—This is a progressive age in which we live, and it is the day in which a man must show his record, whether it be noble or ignoble. As we look at Ancient History we see what the white man has done, and now and then we see something that the colored man has done by the pen of the white man; but what we want is the doings of the race by the pen of the race. The Negro is making his tory, but who is collecting these mighty deeds, or are they going on unnoticed. Take for instance the wars of this country. We have the Negro as the white man sees him, but we want it from a colored man's point of view. We have men who stood in peril for the race. There was Dr. Price; he lived, labored and has gone, also Dr. M. E. Bryant, who was exiled from his home and family. He, too, has gone. I ask in all seriousness, shall these men be forgotten? We have other men and women who are battling for the race. There is Miss Wells whose noble work should be in the home of every colored family, but some one will say they have not got the money to put it in print; that is no excuse. You write the history and let the people know what you have done and they will help you get it out. If you don't the white man will, and he will make money at it, like he has already done. The next generation will be anxiously looking for the history written by the colored man himself, so the race can't afford to sleep on this question. I know we have a few books written by colored authors, but they are very limited. It has been said that if the earth was to open and take all the Negroes in that the world would not loose anything. So far as civilization is concerned, we all will deny that, but we want a more tangible proof and unless a record is kept of the heroes of the race, future generations will have the same things to settle over again—not because we haven't got great men and women, but because we failed to keep a record of what they did.

This letter is respectfully submitted to that class of our people who have a good education and nothing to do—time hanging heavy on their hands.

S. W. Moore,

Little Rock, Ark.

JOHNSON'S EGOTISM

And Henderson's "Taffy"—By Rev. A. J. Kershaw, Tallahassee, Fla.

Editor Freeman:

The two greatest members of the A. M. E Church to-day are the Revs. H. T. Johnson and J. M. Henderson, the first, editor of the Christian Recorder, the second pastor of Bethel church, New York City. Johnson, the great egotist, Henderson, the "taffy" server. Johnson, is wrapped up in self. Henderson attempts to feed us on "taffy" Johnson the great, tells us about the "top-heaviness" of Wilberforce; Henderson, the "taffy" server, tells about "rings" among the A. M. E. ministers Johnson, the great bluffer; Henderson, the gifted babbler; Johnson would like to be known as the great champion of righteousness in the A. M. E. church; Henderson is posing as the only defender of "our young ministers;" so much for jokes and metaphors. Now let us take up specifications. First: Dr. H. T. Johnson proves himself to be anything but a successful "bluffer," for he attempts to bluff Wilberforce University into reformation by telling the world of its "top-heaviness," but when President S. T. Mitchell gets after him with the club of his insulted dignity, this smart reverend finds himself neither "top-heavy" nor bottom heavy, attempts to run away, but being somewhat encumbered with his two hundred and fifteen avoirdupois he could not succeed so well, although he was neither "top-heavy," nor bottom heavy, but a little heavy in the middle. Hence, President S T. Mitchell overtakes him, and as he applies the lash to this young smart "Aleck" he (Dr. H. T. Johnson) attempts to dodge behind "unheard of," "preposterous," "irregular," "unlawful proposal," "I have no shadow of right to summon witnesses," and such like.

In this whole Wilberforce matter, Dr. H. T. Johnson acts the part of a moral coward for he knew when he attacked Wilberforce he would have to reckon with President Mitchell. If Dr. Johnson did not have courage enough to fight why did he strike? There are some things that Dr. Johnson has learned, and among them is this:

> "He that fights and runs away,
> May live to fight another day.
> But he that fights and tries to stay
> May not have strength to get away."

Revs H. T. Johnson and J M. Henderson are trying to run the A. M. E. church, and so far as the publication department we must confess they are very successful. Soon after the death of the late T. M. D. Ward I was asked to say something through the Christian Recorder upon the life and mark of this departed hero. We went to work as best we could and prepared five short papers. We sent them to Dr. Johnson for publication. He published one of them, the other two he chloroformed, and when we wrote about them not being published, he tells us, with an air, insulting as it was egotistical, that he did not publish them and he had no apology to make to any one. This is a sample of the Johnson editorial courtesy, and is found no where beyond the precincts of the Johnson-Henderson corporation, which is now doing business at No. 631 Pine street, Philadelphia, Pa., with an office in Sullivan street, New York City Every friend of the late T. M. D Ward will look upon this as an insult or a "slight" offered to the memory of that old battle-scarred hero that has passed to his reward. We would remind Editor Johnson, though Bishop Ward is gone, he is not forgotten, and his friends will hurl the thunderbolts of their collected indignation against any and all persons, who attempt, directly or indirectly to tarnish his name or insult his memory.

Returning to the "top-heaviness" of Wilberforce University, let me say that this old grand university needs no defense at my hands, for her sons and daughters are fully prepared to defend her against all enemies, whether found in the editorial chair of the Christian Recorder or elsewhere, but if the Christian Recorder is to become the instrument of destruction to our educational department it would be well if we had no Christian Recorder. We hear more complaints against the editorial part of the Christian Recorder now than ever before, and it all comes from the egotism and self-assumption of its editor. I myself have been a correspondent to this paper (Christian Recorder) for nearly twenty years, and this is the first time we have been driven from its columns to seek other mediums to give our thoughts to the world. No one has ever found fault with Editor Johnson from an educational point of view, for we all admit that he is fully qualified educationally, but this modern quill-driver must know that education does not necessarily make an editor any more than it makes a preacher or a lawyer. We take up our brush and paint the following picture: Dr. H. T. Johnson, Napoleon-like, attacks Wilberforce and like Napoleon meets his Waterloo. This young modern Napoleon is seen fighting with the spirit of desperation, but Blucher (Mitchell) comes up and completes the destruction of the Johnson host of "meddleism" and now our young meddlesome Jack will meddle no more until he can find something to meddle with that concerns him. As our editor attempted to reform Wilberforce University and failed, we shall point him to a field that is more fruitful for the labors of a reformer and one that needs reforming more than the university whose "top-heaviness" has caused Dr. H. T. Johnson some little trouble—that is the editorial department of the Christian Recorder, but let us stop; for it is meanness for us to add wounds to those already inflicted upon this young brother by President S. T. Mitchell, Prof. W. H Gibson and others.

In conclusion, let us say Rev. H. T. Johnson has learned one thing; that is those who meddle with sharp-edged tools are apt to get cut. In our next we shall pay our respects to the other member of this firm, we mean J. M. Henderson.

Right Man in the Right Place.

Editor Freeman:

Allow me to thank you for forwarding my paper so very soon after subscribing. I take four other papers besides The Freeman, still I shall never be without The Freeman. And again, my wife, Mary Alice, thinks there's no paper like The Freeman, She claims it as her paper. If all colored newspaper had such agents as Prof. Grant S. Neal, they would be in every intelligent home in the Union. Mr. Neal was a guest of ours a few days ago; also visited my school. His company is very entertaining. He also gave a lecture in our town on the "Demands of the day." It was unsurpassable for a man of his age. It stirred up the whole country round about in the interest of The Freeman. He is the "right man in the right place."

Rev. D. S. Blackwell.

Linwood, Ark.

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I am very desirous of finding the whereabouts of Luvenia and Francis Harrard, owned by Dr. Joe Trint before the war. Their father's name was Joe Harrard; mother's name, Maria Harrard. Their brothers' names were Braxton, Isom, Robert and Washington Harrard. I, Washington Harrard, am very anxious to find my lost sisters. They were sold in Richmond, Va. Any information relative to them will be thankfully received. Address, Washington Harrard, Dawson, Ga.

I would like to know the whereabouts of my three sisters, Lucretia, Eliza and Polly Sadler. Our mother's name was Pricilla Sadler. She belonged to Fannie Sadler, an old maid. Our father's name was Ranel Spilman; he belonged to Jim Spilman. Our home was Lael, Garrett county, Ky., eight miles from Langston and eleven miles from Richmond, Ky. Any information would be very thankfully received by their sister, Sallie Johnson. Address, 339 E. Jefferson street, Decatur, Ill.; in care of L. Earnest.

I have a son; have not seen him since the war. His name is Thomas Taylor Turner, my home was in Madison Co., Tennessee, but I left him in Columbus Kentucky with a man by the name of John Stevens, who was a Telegraph Operator. He was between the age of 7 and 8. His father's name was Sam Turner and my name was Henrietta Turner. Every pastor will please read this to his congregation, and readers will please inquire. Any one giving information will oblige Henrietta Wallace, 1403 Maple St., Des Moines, Ia.

I would like to know the whereabouts of some of my people, which, to my remembrance, belonged to a slave-holder by the name of Gamble, and lived in Defate county, Mo. My mother's name was Ellen Gamble, and father's Anthony Gamble; and four brothers, the oldest, Henry Gamble; next, Ellison, Walter and Alander; sisters, Jane, Mollie, Chanie, Harriet, Emiline and myself, Eliza. Old Gamble had two sisters, both married, one named Steward and the other Walker. To his sister, Mrs. Steward, he gave sister Jane and myself, and my sisters Channie and Mollie, to his sister, Mrs. Walker. My sister Jane was married to a man named Abe. My people left old Gamble's place by night, but could not take me, as I was kept up to the house; but I remember a short time after they left, my mother sent my sister Mollie after me, but they would not let her have me. Any information concerning any of the persons will be thankfully received by Mrs. Eliza Dyson 4202 Lucky street, St. Louis, Mo.

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Says Mr. Calvin Chase editor The Bee:

"If the Bee deems it necessary to discontinue its criticism of the recorder of deeds, whose buiness is it? Certainly Mr. Sweeney has never refused anything from the gift of Republicans nor Democrats. Why should the Bee refuse a gift if offered?"

Surely not ours in the sense that we would be meddlesomely impertinent regarding matters that might concern the personal relations of the editor of The Bee and the District Recorder, and we hope we have not so been understood as acting. But it is upon the other hand, the business of the race, rating the Recorder of Deeds a representative race man, to demand to know if the charges preferred so assiduously by yourself against him up to a very recent time, were true or false. If true, why did you cease your good work of exposure that merited punishment might follow; if false, why did you commence your attack upon him in the first instance, or if you were misled, and have since found it out why do you not discharge your plain duty as a friend to Mr. Taylor, and an upright journalist and say so? How could Jack eat his supper without the opportunity being offered, or Mr. Sweeney refuse gifts that had never been offered him: See? Perish the thought that the editor of the Bee should refuse a gift when offered him, but that Recorder Taylor has offered him a gift which has been accepted by our insistent editor, proves that our fat Kansan friend is a better man than he might be, in that, he "loves those who hate him," but it does not by any means relieve you friend Calvin, of what might be a charge of duplicity, if not sycophancy.

HARRISON A CANDIDATE.

Philadelphia Times (Dem.)

Every few days some politician goes away from home, interviews himself on the question of Harrison being a candidate for renomination, and has it puplished throughout the country as important news. The latest of these is the chairman of the Democratic State committee of Indiana, who got off to Springfield O, and there announced "'that Benjamin Harrison would unquestionably be a candidate for a nomination as President." Of course Harrison is a candidate and he never meant to be anything else than a candidate, and he will continue to be a candidate, under all circumstances, until the nomination shall have been made in 1896.* * * * It has been evident to all who have noticed Harrison's movements since his defeat of 1892 that he intended to make the race in 1896 if his party would permit it, and why should he not? We have had few better Presidents. He was thoroughly honest always conservative and an entirely safe man for the business interests of the country. He blundered, of course, as all men do, but he blundered chiefly in submission to party leaders against his own judgement. It has been many times demonstrated that a President can not be greater than his party. If he can not lead it on a plane with himself, he and the party go to smash together, and Harrison's only errors were when he yielded to the autocratic Reed and to the speculative tariff jumble that McKinley sent him.

Whether Harrison shall be the successful candidate before the Republican convention of 1896 is doubtful, but every indication to-day points to Harrison, or a man for the farther West. The issues seem to be shaping for '96 in a line that would call for Western candidates, and Reed's straddle of the silver issue and of the McKinley tariff will not be likely to strengthen him in the West; but whatever may be the result, it may be accepted all around that Harrison is in for a fight to a finish, and all further interviews on the subject may be dismissed.

The above straightforward Democratic tribute to the greatest living American and the next president of the United States, is respectfully dedicated to the one-eyed single idea'd friends of the champion from Maine, and the Ohio Napoleon of the tariff. Gentlemen, your next president is a "Cracker Jack," his name is Ben Harrison and he hails from Indiana.

EDITOR SWEENEY.

[From The Bee, Washington, D. C.]

The editor of the Indianapolis Freeman, W. Allison Sweeney, is very anxious to know why the Bee has discontinued its attacks on the Recorder of Deeds. The fight against the Recorder was first made on political grounds, because he was charged with having violated the civil service law. The white press attacked the colored ladies in the office by saying that the Recorder wanted to compel the white women to associate with them which was untrue, and took that as a subterfuge to have him removed to which the Bee declined to be a party.

The "Colored American" of this city, after its failure to compel the Recorder to give it an appointment which he never promised, commenced an attack by insinuating that the Bee had forced him to terms. If the editor of "The Freeman" will read Mr. Cooper's letters to the Recorder it will be seen that he made no promises to the "American." At the time the Bee supported the Recorder it had never received a cent from him nor can any public man say that the Bee is under any obligations to him.

The Recorder has letters in his possession that will show some of these gentlemen up in a very bad light. The Bee has nothing to be proud of and as long as the incumbent of the Recorder's office shows a disposition to be a man the Bee will stand by him.

At this time the Bee thinks he is being persecuted by white people.

Cannot you understand, "friend of ours," that what you are pleased to designate our "anxiety" is not of the coarse and mischievous type? We believe you do not desire to be placed in a wrong attitude in this matter, hence our question. If the Recorder has letters from Mr. Cooper, that will exculpate him and head Mr. Cooper off, why don't he give their contents to the public? The quicker the better it seems to us.

QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

The Indianapolis Freeman incidentally remarks that it is the 'Warwick of Negro journals." Who, what has The Freeman made?—Texas Freeman

Who have we made? To answer your question fairly and fully young man we have unwittingly created goslings of your size and ilk, by setting them a pace to go by, who delight in making jealous asses of themselves instead of painstaking, good journalists. What have we made? Made our-selves, if possible, the greater ass by noticing you.

MOTHER GOOSE IN POLITICS.

"Who killed Dave Hill?"
"I," said Morton.
"His shift was a short 'un.
I killed Dave Hill."

"Who saw him die?"
"I," said Strong.
"And it didn't take long.
I saw him die."

"Who'll be chief mourner?"
"I," said the Boss.
"For I mourn his loss.
I'll be chief mourner."

"Who'll dig his grave?"
"I," said Goff.
With a hollow cough.
"I'll dig his grave."

"Who'll drive the hearse?"
"I," said Parkhurst.
"I speak for it first.
I'll drive the hearse."

And all the bells rang
A loud jubilee
At the triumph so great
Of the G. O. P.

--Chicago Tribune.

THE OPINIONS OF MEN.

[From The Richmond Planet.]

"Our esteemed contemporary, the Indianapolis, Ind., Freeman in its issue of the 15th inst., devotes over two columns to a reply to our article upon great Negroes

"As a literary effort the article in question is a brilliant success; as a proof of the position which it had taken it is a glittering failure. Our contemporary concedes too much and by its own unfortunate admissions, acknowledging and accepting Webster's definitions of "great," it has unconsciously conceded all that we claimed; namely, that our race had produced some great Negroes.

"We pause here to remark that we cited only a few of the many. It would seem that Editor Sweeney failed to realize that any person possessing any or all of the characteristics or qualities cited in Webster's definitions could be termed 'great.'

"The separation of the same by semicolons rather than by commas should have led him to see this. But it would seem that he would insist that all of the qualities must be centered in one man in order to apply the title, 'great.' At what other conclusion are we to arrive, when this courtly gentleman proceeds to find in some of the persons named by us the very elements which make them great.

"We regret that we cannot in this issue give many extracts from this admirable production which embraces a criticism bristling with pointed thrusts and well deserved praise.

"However, as proof of the position which we have taken, we cite its own magnificent tribute to two great Negro leaders, re-affirming at the same time that our contemporary is in error when it states that the race has produced no great Negro:

"Over the bier of this dead black man, Dr. J. C. Price, that Mr. Mitchell may well uncover before, whose lips in life were surely kissed by the flame of that divine afflatus that is at once the inspiration of the poet and the prescience of the oracle, and of whom many have said, he was more eloquent than any of his race, what dare we say that might be construed as denying to his memory that estimate that by common consent attaches to the WHOLLY GREAT?

Once in his life, called in the name of the great church of which he was the one solitary, dazzling luminary, but more because of the presence of that irrepressible something within, that on great occasions divides the LEADER from the follower, he stood within the eye of the world, and held, as if with the tentacles of a vise, by the sheer witchery of his eloquence, the attention of the most erudite body of men the earth had ever seen. From the great Ecumenical Council, the aurora of his matchless forrenic achievement went with and enveloped him, and in the grave, where his church and race deposited his lamented ashes the sprigs of immortelles and live forever that filled and covered over and over the house of his last rest, dropped from the hands of the children of many lands. None shall write his name in sand.

"Like some vast river of unfailing source
Rapid, exhaustless, deep his numbers flowed."

"Had life been spared to him, who can tell—he might have become the GREATEST NEGRO.

He was, Editor Sweeney, a great Negro

And again:

"What can we say of Frederick Douglass the shaggy lion-faced Tribune of his people that has not been said and wrote and thought a thousand times before? His fame cannot be augmented nor his great career discounted. The one foolish Afro-American who of all the world attempted it by compiling a Negro narrative euphoniously termed a History, which gave him but a shadowy recognition—made a most pitiable spectacle of himself In point of years of brilliant able consecrated effort of his race, employing as his weapon a brand of oratory, wit, logic, persuasion, that for over a half century has passed current in two hemispheres with the best efforts of the completest equipped minds of any race, he has had many followers but in the general estimate of mankind, regardless of race, time or period, he has had no equal. In the averaging up of what constitutes all around greatness, he is, we repeat again, perhaps the solitary exception to our "astounding charge," the One Great Negro. Contemporaneous judgement and review recognizes the Bismarks, the Gladstones, the Gambettas, the Crispis, the De Staels, the Longfellows, the Lowells, the Hugos, the Huxleys, the Blydens, the Tyndalls, and Edisons of mankind as earth's only great children and that the Negro's contribution to that glorious assemblage of emancipated superior souls, the flower of a civilization that traces its genesis back a thousand yeas has been modest—he need not be ashamed. No more splendid compliment can be paid him—that but an infant—he is nevertheless casting sheep eyes upon the seats reserved for the tried, the old and strong.

'Our contention has been established, Editor Sweeney. He is, indeed a great Negro. Over the miles of space, we return the hearty good will and appreciation of our able contemporary, reminding him that in his chase after his ideal, let him not pass unnoticed true greatness, nor place in the background real merit. The future historian will see better than ourselves, but we confidently predict that in the galaxy of great men, he will accord to us many great Negroes."

[From The Denver Statesman.]

"The position which the Indianapolis Freeman goes into detail to establish, regarding great men of the race, is plainly correct. The point would not be worthy of discussion, if it were not for the fact Jim Crowism is so prevalent in race opinion. We have a great many smart men and women, but Frederick Douglass is our only great personage. To prove this fact, one only needs to call up comparisons with the great men of the nation. With Grant, Blaine, Harrison, Reed, McKinley, Cleveland, Hill or Gorman in politics, Talmage in the pulpit, Ingersoll in agnosticism, Longfellow, Whittier, Howells and Donnelly in literature, and other leaders of national repute, we would dare name no Negro but Douglass, expecting to compare personal achievements. Color or race may handicap but cannot hide greatness. A country knows its great men. Frederick Douglass is known and accepted as one of the great men of the nation. Bishop Turner may be reaching up to greatness. Other men may be prominent in a manner, but in the United States, where Negroes are neither born great nor have greatness thrust upon them, only one has ever achieved greatness."

THE SICK MAN OF EUROPE.

"There occur occasionly in the dull monotony of modern happenings events which are so stupendous for good or evil that the attention of the world is shocked into vital interest. Such an occasion is the massacre of Armenian Christians which has taken place in that unhappy province of Turkey. This massacre was accompanied by details of such unspeakable horror that men hesitate to write of them. The brutal murder of children, the violation of innocent girls and the ruthless wrecking of sweet household ties. A peaceful, patient, toiling nation immolated to the brutal lust of men who have shown no improvement for twenty centuries, and whose existence has been a blot on the map of Europe and the history of the world since the days of Tamerlane.

Some wider cognizance than mere sympathy should be taken of this event, so unparalleled and so atrocious. Too much has been permitted to Turkey. The corrupt kingdom has not only festered on its infamous throne, corroding inward and outward, debased in morals and loathsome in all its practices, but the observing world has allowed its Sultans to crush and break the spirit of classic Greece and forever damn the whole southeast of Europe. This is infamy enough for civilization and Christendom to have connived at. The further outrage which Turkey contemplates should not be permitted. There are laws higher than the shibboleths of international courtesy. To allow the Turks to sacrifice to their fanaticism and ambition this amiable, pastoral people would be a crime far darker than the partition of Poland, against which the world has sentimentally inveighed for some generations. It would be a sacrifice of virtue and worth and loveliness to baseness and crime and infamy. It would be a sacrifice of the cross of Jesus to the blood-stained cresent of Islam, a sacrifice of progression and human advancement to retrogression and decay.

There may be international complications which will prevent punishment, but the decency and humanity of the world should certainly devise some means of preventing the repition of the horror."—Exchange.

There may be international complication which will prevent punishment as our exchange well says but the irony of it all, the pity of it. What a farce in many instances is this hyporcritical regard for, this indifference on the part of civilization to the committal of crime that is allowed upon the plea of the comity of nations. The Godfrey Bouillons, the Chevalier Bayards, the Black Princes of tradition and history, are shadowy ever vanishing types of a spirit of heroic fanatacism, of bigoted zeal, however, misdirected and inconsistant that the lukewarm enervated civilization of this age and period might on occasions well imitate and be inspired by.

THE SHIMER OF FALSEHOOD.

"I have never been able to set a high opinion upon that combination of Democrats and Free Soilers that made Charles Sumner a Senator from Massachusetts, elected George S. Boutwell Governor, and ended the political career, until then brilliant, of Robert C. Winthrop. Mr. Boutwell still survives. He has held office of one kind and another for orty or fifty years. Some of his offices have been great, but he has been small in all. Mr. Sumner was a magnificent doctrinaire, a learned schoolmaster that never became a statesman. The other men of high talent and character that led in Massachusetts the protest against the extension of slavery like C. F. Adams, Palfrey R. H. Dana, Jr., were never popular or powerful. The cheap rhetoricians and the small intriguers, the Wilsons, the Bankses, the Boutwells, controlled in the Bay State the Republican party that was to be formed. Mr. Winthrop was of a different type. His was as serious and as unbending a spirit as any of his great forefathers had. He was no truckler to the southern oligarchy, but on the other hand, he was attached to the Union with a strength that the colder patriotism of to-day can hardly conceive even after the stress of the Civil War.

The Garrisons and the Phillipses, noisy lunatics, whom it is the fashion to worship now, were rank Disunionists. Mr. Winthrop saw the South encroaching upon the Constitution on one side, on the other, men like Wendell Phillips denouncing it as a league with death and covenant with hell, The Whig party, which had been the party of conciliation and compromise, was coming to a melancholy end. All the fiery spirits, the quick, ambitions, the easy convictions were longing for a new party and a new power. Mr. Winthrop was but a little more than fifty, respected, popular. He could have won a great place and a great name if he had been more facile in his opinions. He held to his idea and went his way. It was not from weakness. In the shock of new forces and great events it is easy to be extreme, and the extremists usually win. Mr. Winthrop was equally removed from the violence on both sides, from the self-seeking on all. I hope the time has come when Massachusetts will cease to burn incense before fanatics and pigmies, and do justice to the conservatives who loved her well and loved the Union better—men whose names are not the dimmest in her history, Webster, Choate, Winthrop, Everett."—Town Topics.

A splendid panegyric, and mainly deserved, even if at the expense of other names more famous and lasting. When, however, such men as Garrison and Phillips are rated as "noisy lunatics," "fanatics and pigmies" while a truckler like Webster is apotheosized and marked for deification, we may admire the rhetoric of the commentator while we condemn the consensus of his judgement.

Be honest now, look this number of THE FREEMAN over with care and tell us, not all speaking at once, are you not proud of it as a race journal, among all the publications of the race, has it an equal, does it not stand alone, unapproached? "There are others," but there is but one great national Afro-American journal and its name is THE FREEMAN. Now is the time to subscribe.

ALOHA, DANA!

"The people of Hawaii are proud of Mr. Dana, and with good reason. The Hawaiian Gazette of November 2, prints a likeness of the editor of the Sun and refers in a leading editorial to the good work achieved by that paper for the Hawaiians in their time of trouble, and extends a cordial invitation to its editor to visit them in the following words:

Mr. Dana should be invited to visit these islands, and if he does our beautiful women will crown him with leis, sing to him the low, sweet notes of our native music, and put to his lips the lotus fruit, which will pass him into dreames of tropical rest,

When will you start, Mr. Dana? Will Grover go with you? Will you call on the Widow Dominis? She is waiting to crown you with leis and to sing to you in the low, sweet notes of of her native music, and put to her lips her lotus lips—no, we are getting mixed. The enchanting vision overwhelms us. Bon voyage, Mr. Dana, don't forget to learn the hula-hula in those dreams of tropical unrest.—N. Y. Morning Advertiser.

Imagine that great man, the Dean of American journalism, Richard R. Dana disporting himself in the bewildering mazes of the hula hula or see him drinking deep of life's fond illusion as he lingeres a passive devotee at the shrine of Hawaiin beauty.

Surprised and Remembered by Friends.

Monmouth, Ill., Special.

The church festivities were well patronized on Thanksgiving. Mrs. Della Fowler has decided to make Omaha, Neb, her future place of abode. Misses Ella Wallace and Olive G. Halle were in Galesburg Wednesday. Mrs Mary E. King died the 12th inst, of consumption at her home on South Second street. The funeral services were held at the Second Baptist church, Rev. Washington officiating. Mesdames Minnie Mayo and Hattie Sloan are guests of Mrs. H. Stokes. Mrs. R. L. Wallace and daughter Miss Ella, who have been visiting in Stowers, Franklin, Russelville, and Bowling Green, Ky., and Indianapolis, Ind., have returned home, much pleased with their trip. While in Indianapolis they were the guests of Mesdames A. Myrtle Harris and Lillian Thomas-Fox, Their many friends on learning of their return, congregated together, and on Thursday evening marched to their cozy home on North D street and gave them a hearty surprise. They left as a reminder of the occasion, a handsome oak extension table. Mr. and Mrs. Curtis of Chicago are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Mitchell. Mrs. A. Jackson of Ft. Madison, Iowa, spent Thanksgiving with the family of R. L. Wallace. Rev. J. H. Jones who has been the guest of Mrs. A. Henderson left for St. David Wednesday. Mrs. R. B. Catlin left for Chicago over the C. B. and Q. Wednesday. She will make that city her future home. Rev. J. W. Washington was in Galesburg on business the latter part of the week. Charlie A. Wallace who has been very much indisposed has again entered the high school. The A. M. E's. have organized a Christian Endeavor. Success to them.

IOLANTHE.

"Colored Day" at the Cotton Palace.

Bryan, Texas, Special

Miss Lulu McDonald was married to John R. Carter on the evening of the 22nd of November, at Lee Chapel M. E. church. Rev. W. A. Fortson, officiating. Their attendants were Miss Fanny M. Bell and Mr. William Walls, of the H. F. C. R. R. Mr. Carter is an emyloye of the Central rail road and his bride, one of the most popular young ladies of this city. A grand reception was tendered them by the parents of the bride. The Epworth League will have special services on Thanksgiving night. Dr. J. S. Reid is the able president C. C. Sibley and A. R. Wilson eminent Bryanites, are pursuing a course of study at Howard University. They will return in three years. Mrs. Emma Richards, sister to Dr. W. T. Green died on the 19th instant and was buried from the Shiloh Baptist church. J. H. Shivers officiating.

Rev. W. C. Cole has been promoted to the pastorate of St. Paul A. M. E. church Houston, Texas. Rev. S. M. Holmes has been appointed to Allen Chapel, this city. Miss C. A. R. Grant is home from a prolonged visit to the Welborn neighborhood. Many republicans who strayed off after the "third party" are now "gnashing their teeth" for making such asses of themselves. The landslide proved that the g. o. p. was long ways from being dead. The country schools are opening but will continue open only a few months owing to the small prorata this year, $3.50. This Democratic administration has certainly mismanaged school affairs. November 24th was "Colored Day" at the Waco Cotton Palace. T. T. Fortune spoke and Flora Batson sang. Mrs. E. L. Colwell and children returned from a visit to her mother at Baton Rouge, La., on Nov. 12th.

Of Such is the Kingdom

And other poems, by Anna Olcott Commelin, 8vo, 110 pages. Fancy cloth, gilt. Price, $1 50. Fowler & Wells Co, publishers, New York.

An exceedingly well made book so far as the publisher's art goes, and attractive at first sight to even the casual reader. But its dainty covers are merely an expression of the verse within them. The first poem gives its title to the volume, and that is charmingly set off by the beaming child faces of the really beautiful design of the frontispiece. The topics that represent the author's muse are various, now expressive of liveliness, hope, and sunny joyfulness, anon reflecting some phrase of sadness that is common enough among our home life. The "Poems of Sorrow" are sweet, and to the sorrowful can not but be acceptable. They breathe in gentle spirit that is replete with consolation. It is even a pleasure to dwell on such verses as "How Shall it be?" or "A Star in the Night."

She has given us just the book for our home table, the companion for the moment or an hour's reading, and a genial, helpful companion at any time.

For sale by BOWEN-MERRIL
Indianapolis, Ind.

"Toussaint" of Oklahoma.

Guthrie, O. T., Special.

Logan county has a majority of four hundred colored Republican voters, and they asked the whites for the nominee for county clerk in the person of R. Emmett Stewart, of Langston City, O. T. This was all well so far as it went, but in a quiet moment of reflection on the part of the more thoughtful, they seemed to have concluded they had not gone far enough. So they sought for a new hearing, and as their standard bearer and advocate they chose Capt. C. H. Tandy, a venerable old man, who skipped into the arena and showed the young men what true manhood meant, if they would heed the example set before them. He is the Toussaint of Oklahoma, who shows a record as white as the driven snow and marks of battle done in defense of the Negro at the forefront for the last seventy years. And I predict for him before the battle is ended he will be lord of all he surveys.

H. DAVIS.

The "Colored Stars" Will Entertain.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Special.

Hello! what now? "The Colored Stars" will appear Monday and Tuesday evenings, Dec. 3d and 4th, at the Opera House, in the favorite and renowned Military drama, "The Harsh Step-father." This will be the treat of the season, so don't fail to see it, as the funds benefit the new church. Reserved seats 25 cents on sale at Wyatt Bros. William B. Davis, manager. Gen. Laster died on Tuesday, the 20th, ult., at the residence of his son-in-law, King Jones. Revs. Johnson, H. A. Anthony, and W. H Young went to Leaper last week, to attend the annual board meeting. Henry Favall returned last week after a pleasant visit to Jackson, Mo. Rev. W. B. White has just returned from a business trip to Marshall, Mo., and St. Louis. Rev. T. H. Hightower has been called to fill the pulpit at Bird Point, Mo. The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Simmons, Alberta, mistook a cup of lye for a cup of tea, and drank some of the fluid. While the effect was painful it is not necessarily dangerous. This occurred last week, and at this writing the child is able to be out again. Mrs. Mary Springfield, of Union City, Tenn., is in the city visiting friends and relatives. Henry Fitcher is very sick at this writing. Don't fail to see the "Colored Stars" shine on Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 3d and 4th. Those who owe The Freeman, will please call and settle.

A Painful Accident.

Cartersville, Ga., Special.

Friday evening, the 23d, ult., Mrs. Hannah Trible passed away. She was a faithful and true member of Mt. Zion Baptist church. The funeral services were held at 11 o'clock a. m. The sermon was preached by Rev. J. F. Bright. She leaves one daughter and husband to mourn her demise. Last Monday morning Lawrence Templeton while coupling cars on the East and West railroad yard, had three of his fingers cut off by the bumpers. His pains were very severe.

N. B. AGENTS: Our **HOLIDAY NUMBER** will issue Saturday, Dec. 22nd. **COMMENCE NOW** to secure extra orders for it in your community, sending in to us **NO LATER** that Monday, Dec. 17th. This number will be **A VERY FINE ONE.**

CHARGED WITH THE MURDER

Of His Daughter—An Informal Reception—Successful Night School.

Jacksonville, Fla., Special.

Mr. Moses Bradley, of Louisville, Ky, once a postoffice employe of that city, but resigned under Democratic rule, was in the city on last Saturday, the guest of his friend, Prof. Wm. H. Gibson, jr. Mr. J. T. Clark, instructor of printing in the Edward Waters College, by special request addressed the Arnett Literary Society on last Friday night, reciting an original poem, which for practical sense and application, beauty, roundness and euphonic expressions, metrical and musical symphonies, harmonic rythms and depth of thought, captivated his listeners.

Miss Esther Campbell, of the Live Oak district, entered Edward Waters College last week. She, too, is one among the results of the efforts of Rev. Elder Gilleslee, presiding elder of that district, in the interest of the college. Ebenezer M. E. church has been holding anniversary services all the week, in honor of the 30th year of its existence. The throngs jubilees have been immense. Rev. I. L. Thomas B. D., P. E., of Alexandria, Va., visited the city last week and filled the pulpit of Mt. Zion A. M. E. church on Sunday morning preaching a powerful sermon.

Rev. Thomas is traveling, and lecturing, and gathering data for a book which he intends publishing, entitled "Since Emancipation". On Monday evening he lectured to a large and appreciative audience at Ebenzer church taking for his subject, "Whims of the people." An informal tea-party in honor of Rev. I. L. Thomas, of Alexandria, Va., was given by Rev. Mrs. J. B. L. Williams at their residence on last Monday afternoon, to which a few of the best and most highly cultured people of the city were invited and were present. The grand jury has found a true bill of indictment against Mr. Wm. Jones, once a highly respected citizen and a devout christian worshipping in Ebenezer M. E. church, for the murder of his daughter, Florence, alleged against him on June 5th inst.

This case has elicited the highest excitement among the colored citizens, and, at one time, fears of lynching were entertained. The girl, upon post-mortem examination was found to be enciente supposed to be by her father and which gave cause for this most revolting and brutal murder. The family stood high, in social circles, and Miss Florence, a young lady of about eighteen summers, was the idol of her many friends. The case will be called at this term of the Circuit Court. Night school at Edward Waters College, Prof. Wm. Gibson, teacher. Room for plenty more. Prof. Jaques, the traveling artist, gave a lecture (free) to the people at Mt. Zion A. M. E. church on Monday evening which does not seem to set so well upon the gastric organs, stomach, and conscience of a large number of his hearers, who seem to take personal affront at his many blunt characterizations of the habits and customs of many of the people. Look out professor, it won't do to tell the truth at all times; it will bring about trouble at many times.

Pension Attorney Convicted for Fraud.

Paducah, Ky., Special.

J. H. Burbridge, the well known claim and pension agent of this city, was convicted in the U. S. District court last week of violating the pension laws, and was sentenced to a term of three years in the Jeffersonville prison. Sam Owens, the accused murderer of S. Ogilvie, of this county, has been brought here for trial. He has been confined at Henderson for safe keeping. Mrs. Hannah House is rebuilding her residence on Harrison street. The church entertainment at the residence of Mrs. Amanda Phillips on Seventh street, drew a large audience Nov. 24th. Rev. G W. Dupee, of the Washington street Baptist church, preached at the Seventh Street church in the afternoon of the 25th, ult., to a large congregation. The Electric Light company turned on the current on the 24th, ult., and it made things look as bright as day. The New Howard Association, a charitable institution, (white), has asked the young colored people of the city to take part in the cake walk at Morton's Opera House in the near future. A company of young ladies and gentlemen will soon commence to rehearse one of Gilbert & Sullivan's bright comic operas, "Trial by Jury," with twenty-six people in the cast, under the direction of M. Bradshaw. Call at 419 Jackson street and get The Freeman.

P. G. M. Council Will Entertain Friends.

Metropolis, Ill., Special.

Wesley Pryor has rolled an excellent four room building on his lot on 5th street and made some addition. Mrs. Ellen Wyatt is in Paducah. Miss Prince McCrary returned last week from St Louis. The P. G. M. Council No. 150 G. U. O. O. F. is preparing to entertain members and friends on the 26th of December. Thomas Sims and Rev. D. Rodgers were "made" Masons. Miss Maria Butler is teaching her second term at Little Rock. Miss Emma Crouse is also teaching a second term at Powers. Miss Ida Michaux is wielding the ferule at Palmer. Meedames Susan Crouse and Anna Crosslin continue very ill. Misses Minnie Taylor, Laura Hutchinson and Claude Wyatt are convalescent. The Baptist and A. M. E. churches celebrated Thanksgiving by serving dinner and supper. Rev. P. A. Green made a business trip to this place. Last Sunday was communion day at the Missionary Baptist. Elder F. Robinson preached. The Lord's Supper was administered at 3 o'clock. The collection was $25. The Bible Band will meet Sunday at 2 o'clock. A Christian Endeavor was organized at the A. M. E. church last week.

Tendered His Resignation.

Kansas City, Mo., Special.

Elder Robinson, who has been pastor of the Second Baptist church for the past twenty years has tendered his resignation. The new minister arrived Sunday. He is from the South. Our grand rally is Sunday next at 1 o'clock. Bishop Hanley will preach, and among us will be a number of distinguished divines. There will be a grand musical concert given at Allen Chapel December 5th by the "Big Four" concert company. Subject discussed in the Payne literary society, "Resolved that life is an affliction" Subjebt for Friday, Dec. 30th, 'Resolved that education does not better the condition of the Negro." The society elected delegates to attend the Inter-State Convention of Literaries to be held at Atchison, Kan., Dec. 27. The delegation consist of J. Silas Harris who will appear on the program, Rev. H. B. Parks, John T. Moreland, Mrs. Prof. Yates and C. W. Porter. We anticipate getting the next convention in Kansas City. Linsley Waldon is on the sick list.

Singing Choir Organized.

Pierce Station, Tenn., Special.

Rev. M. J. Jackson, the young prelate, comes to the good people of this vicinity to serve as their pastor for another year. New officers elected were Geo. F. Browder, secretary, Thos. Pierce, treasurer; Trustees, Henry Simpson and Dick Johnson. The good people of this vicinity are coming to the front. Many of our citizens own their homes. Among our wealthiest are Thos. Pierce, who is worth $2,000, John Bord, $1,500, Aaron Morris, $500. Mrs. Lucy Morris. $900, John Milner, $2,500, Henry Murphy $1000, Dudley Morris, $800. The finest carpenter in this community is John Phillips.

A singing choir was organized in the A. M. E. church, with Mrs. M. J. Jackson leader. She is also president of the Royal Banner literary society recently organized. Mrs. Mary Reid is visiting relatives in Cairo, Ill. Everybody praises The Freeman. Please pay the agent your dues.

Thanksgiving Services.

St. Louis, Mo., Special.

Thanksgiving services this year were more general and impressive than any previously held in this city. The various denominations made extensive preparations for the celebration for the day by religious services, which were held at different centers, and were largely attended. Officer Murphy shot three times at W. M. Wright, but without effect. William immediately prepared for Murphy and took deadly aim and shot him. Mrs. Katie McCrey, of 1303 Spruce street, is very sick. John Pope has been very sick for the past two weeks. He made a profession of religion while sick. Mrs Emma Arrington fell down the steps and sprained her ankle. She is improving. Miss Mamie Pitts is doing well with her school. The school is progressing fast. Mrs. Clay, 2114 Lucas avenue, has nicely furnished rooms with or without board. Modern conveniences; private family; rates reasonable. Jas. D. Miller, 1335 Morgan street, has opened a large restaurant; meals served at all hours. Mrs. Carrie Palmer has returned from a visit to Paducah, Ky. Call on Richard Lunderman, 1522 Morgan street and get The Freeman.

1796. CENTENNIAL 1896.

Appeal of the A. M. E. Zion Church.

To all Evangelical Churches of the United States of America and to the Methodist bodies of Canada and the British Isles, Greeting: Through the great mercies of God, we, the African Methodist Episcopal Zion church, have been brough within two years of the close of the first one hundredth anniversary of our history as a separate and distinct organization.

In 1796 James Varick and others, because of the existence of proscription and other conditions which hindered their intellectual development and religious growth, and prevented them from engaging in the work of spreading the cause of Christ and uplifting their fellows according as they felt themselves moved by the spirit of God, withdrew from the Mother Church and formed a separate and distinct organization, out of which has grown the great African Methodist Episcopal Zion church.

We congratulate ourselves on having had a man of such unselfish motives, sterling qualities and pronounced ability as an organizer and leader, to head this great religious movement; he was the first man of the race to grasp the great idea of a purely religious Negro organization. During this hundred years our church has grown from a handful to nearly 400,000 communicants, embracing every section of the United States, Canada, a part of Africa and some of the Islands of the Sea. It has taken a foremost part in all movements affecting the moral, intellectual and spiritual welfare of the race.

At the session of the General Conference held in Pittsburgh, Pa., in 1892, it was decided that we should hold our One Hundredth Anniversary in October, 1896, in the "Mother Zion," (or first established church of the connection) now situated on the corner of West Tenth and Bleecker streets, New York City, N. Y.

We take this medium through which to inform you of our intention and to earnestly ask your sympathy and co-operation to make this Centennial effort a success in advancing the Redeemer's Kingdom and in the elevation of the race.

It is our purpose to hold a ten day Centennia conference, two sessions each day, at which time papers will be read and such subjects discussed as may be agreed upon.

Every denomination or religious organization is cordially invited to participate with us. We especially invite all Methodist organizations to take part with us.

Each denomination desiring representation will please communicate with Bishop A. Walters, D. D., Chairman Centennial Committee, No, 353 Bleeker street, New York City, N. Y.

Signed:

Bishop J. W. Hood, D. D., LL. D.,
" C. C. Petty, A. M., D. D.,
" J. P. Thompson, D. D.,
" C. R. Harris. D. D.,
" T. H. Lomax, D. D.,
" J. C. Clinton, D. D.,
" A. Walters, D. D.,
Rev. Wm. Howard Day, D. D.,
Ex. Com. { " G. W. Clinton, A. M.,
" J. W. Alstork, D. D.,
" W. H. Goler, D. D.,
" E. George Biddle, B. D.,
" R S. Rives,
" W. H Chambers,
" H. Blake,
" J. S. Caldwell, B. D.,
" J. P. Thompson, D. D.,
Hon. J. C. Dancy,
General Manager.

DIAMOND MEDAL CONTEST.

Loyal Union Reception and Concert—Other Amusements.

New York City Special.

The Woman's Loyal Union gave a very enjoyable reception and concert at Lyric Hall on Nov. 13. Lawyer T. McStewart and Hon. John S. Durham delivered addresses on the work of the union. Messrs. Burleigh, Attwell, Williams, Madocer and Misses Lavina, Jones, Eva Z. Walker and O. Fake had charge of the musical program, and rendered some excellent singing. As there were several other entertainments on that evening, a party of gentlemen, among whom were the following: Messrs. T. T. Fortune, L. H. Latimore, J. P. Williams, W. R. Johnson, M. Whitehurst, Dr. D. P. Reid, J. P. Arrington, J. E. Garner, J. Washington and others. presented the union with a purse toward the general fund.

Mrs. Susie Bell and Alex Q. Norton were married on Nov. 20 at Bethel Church by Rev. Mr. Henderson. They will reside in Brooklyn. Madam Sisseretta Jones gave a concert Sunday, Nov. 18, at Carnegie Hall, to a crowded house. A grand musical and literary entertainment was held at St. Mark's Church, Forty-eighth street, on the 13th of November, under the auspices of the "New York Echo." The occasion that drew such numbers was the outcome of the contest that has been going on for the past five months for the Echo diamond medal and gold mounted gavel to the most popular member of the following societies: I. O. of G. S. and D. of S., G. U. O. of Gal Fishermen, W. O. of True Foresters, U. O. of Sons and Daughters of Moses, and the I. O. of St. Luke. The excitement caused by the contest among the several contesting lodges necessarily made the affair very popular. The program, which was rendered by local talent, was carried out very successfully. The opening prayer was by the pastor of the church, Rev. Mr. Lyons, while Miss Emma B. Magnan presided at the piano with her usual brilliancy. Master J. J. McClaughey, a lad of ten years, rendered a piano solo that was wonderful, and shows him a lad of great promise. Mr. G. E. Cruger followed with a declamation from Shakespeare. A duet by John T. Bailey and Miss V. Scott was well rendered, Miss Drusie Long recited the "Palmetto and the Pine," and was loudly applauded. Miss C. H. Rodgers sang a solo and was encored. Miss Emilie F. Johnston read the "District Candidate," which was well received. Miss Lillie Van Allen sang a solo, "Ecstacy," in a very creditable manner, and Mrs. Eva A. Handley, the young elocutionist, rendered the "Maniac," and carried the house by storm. Miss M. Burgoyne rendered a solo, "When the Leaves Begin to Turn," and received encores several times. Miss E. Turner sang "Springtime of the Heart" in a very captivating manner. Mr. Handy, master of ceremonies then introduced Mr. Lackery, who announced the winners of prizes. The first prize, diamond medal, was awarded to Mrs. Leanna Hamilton, of R. Aolta Tabernacle 95, S. and D. of Moses. The gavel went to the same tabernacle. The second prize was given to Mr. W. E. Perry, of Union Branch Lodge, No. 98, I. O. of G. S. and D. of S. The exercises closed with a quartet by Mrs. Fuller, Mrs. L. Jones, Misses W. H. and M. W. Jones. Mrs. Hamilton received 1,428 votes and Mr. Perry 914 votes.

Young People's Union Elects Officers.

Brinkley, Ark., Special.

Rev. Wm. P. Cox, of Helena, passed through the city on the 22d. en route to Morrilton, where he will make his future home. The Young People's Union elected officers Monday night, Nov. 19. Mr. Louis Davis and Miss B. J. Crawford were elected as presidents; Miss Pattie B. Rowan, secretary, and Miss Nannie Green, treasurer. Mr. Strather Johnson, an old citizen of this place. died the 19th inst. and was buried the 20th. He leaves a wife. Mr. J. D. Mullinax will attend Lincoln University after Christmas. Messrs. J. B. Jackson, N. Vance and S. B. P. Weaver are on the sick list. Public school opened on the 26th, with Prof. J. W Brooks as principal. The St. Paul A. M. E. church literary association reorganized Friday evening, Nov. 23rd inst. W. K. White was elected president; Grant Watson, vice president; Miss Clara Caldwell, secretary; Miss Lelia Anderson, treasurer; Everette McChristian, librarian; Misses Nannie Green and H Lynch, Messrs. John Hibbler, J. N. Campbell and E. W. Smith as board of managers. Mrs A. P. McNeely of Surrounded Hill spent Sunday in the city. The pulpit of the A. M. E. church was ably filled Sunday at 11 a. m. by Rev. G. W. Richey; 7:30 by Rev. J. W. Burnes. Order your Christmas suit from Campbell, the Plymouth Rock man. Prof. Ware visited Devall's Bluff Sunday. Messrs. E. Ankroum and A. Graham of Forrest City visited this city Sunday the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Weddles. Those desiring good bargains in groceries should call on Brooks ank Taylor our colored grocers.

A Fashionable Wedding.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

Prof. R. G. Donnald's school closed last week. He will go to Fisk on the 28th inst. Miss M. L. Shett's school has closed, and she is again at Roger Williams, and a close student and agent for the Rogerans. The wedding was grand. The bride and groom and the four sets of waiters were all clad in the latest style. Rev. J. A. Jones tied the nuptial in a hard knot. They were given a great many very fine presents. Miss Maggie Davis made the lucky cut for the ring in the bride's cake at the reception.

Mrs. Annie McFaden, of Chattanooga, Tenn., is up to see her people. Mrs. Jane Hutton has left for her home in the Mountain City. Messrs. W. M Crawford and J. S. Gilliland have a large job of stone work twenty miles out from the city. Shelbyville will have a new steel bridge across Duck river. One of the city springs is being newly repaired. Mr P. W. Patterson has bought three very valuable lots, and will build on them soon. W. M. Gillfiand has moved to his new home. Mr. James Fishback has been very sick, but is some better at this writing. Miss Annie Cooper is on the mend. She and Mrs. Mery were out riding on the 24th. Mr. Damascus Cooper is on the sick list. Mr. G. W. Doxey has been very sick, but is now some better. Mrs. Dan Blakemore can put up a good job of repairing old clothes. Mr. Louis Thompson says she can't be beaten.

A good night school is in progress. The teachers and pupils are filling up the Turner High School. They say they have an education, but there is one of the main things lacking yet, and they will not know much, learn nor do much, nor go up the hill of progress as a race, until we learn to read the productions of the race in its journals. When we learn that we will be on the road to success as a race, but not until then. Get The Freeman at W. H. Gosling's store.

Damaged by Fire.

Wyoming, O., Special.

At 4 a. m. Monday the saloon of Mr. F. Alfred was damaged by fire. The residence of Miss A. Duncan was damaged by fire Saturday. Miss Lucy Buckner is sick. Prof. Campbell, of Walnut Hills, Ohio, was here Sunday. Miss Eliza Green spent Sunday in Cincinnati. The concerts given by the Maple street and Bethel A. M. E. churches was a success. It is Miss Clemons who is visiting Mrs. Lewis Williams, and not Miss Boon. Every Negro in Lockland should read The Freeman. The social given by the endeavor last Thursday night eclipsed everything.

Dinner was served at Bethel A. M. E. church Thanksgiving. We are glad to state that in all probility Miss A. Duskin will soon take her place as a teacher in our school. Presbyterian church had a festival last Saturday night. Mrs. Fox and family have gone to join her husband at Canton. One of our young men will lead one of our fair Misses to the alter soon. Mr. Henry Helvey was admitted into the K. of P. lodge No. 22, Tuesday night. Mr. and Mrs. Keelan have moved to Cincinnati, O., where Mr. Keelan is in business.

Cuthbert's Magnificent Fair.

Cuthbert, Ga., Special.

The fair was a perfect success and many attended. Friday night was made memorable by the debate: "Trial of Sam Doo Little for killing Jim Doo Nothing" Everybody was much interested. Connected with the fair was an entertainment each night. The committees did remarkably well.

They carried nine prisoners off on Thursday night, Nov. 22, the majority being Negroes. Seven were sentenced to the chain gang and two to the penitentiary. Now is the time to subscribe for The Freeman. Sold here every Saturday. Buy holiday books from A. R Robinson, Andrew street.

Loves The Freeman.

Portsmouth, Va., Nov. 25, 1894.

Dear Editor:—Please allow me space in your valuable paper to say a few words concerning it, I have been reading The Freeman for more than four years, and think it is the best newspaper I ever read. I think every man that has children that can read ought to take The Freeman. I am truly devoted to The Freeman, when I don't read The Freeman I feel like I had lost a friend. Dear editor while this is the first time I ever wrote to The Freeman please excuse all mistakes, but I hope I will do batter next time I am a child only fifteen years old. Yours truly, IDA LEE BEST.

Portsmouth, Va, 826 South St.

Confessed Her Guilt.

Clarksville, Tenn, Special.

A reception was given by the Y. M. S. C. recently, in honor of Mr. William Moore, who left for Indianapolis, Ind. The grand rally and jollification that was held in this city on Nov. 22 was something never before witnessed here. The feature of the parade were the banners, which referred to Rev E. F. Gennes, Dave Coward. Charles Barker and Prof. Pitt. Willie Griffin, a seven year old lad of this city, was terribly burned recently. Elder Boykin, manager and proprietor of the Montgomery Pilot, has worked up a great business during his career. 'Squire Gillan an employe of Gracey, is very sick. Henry K. Ungan is on the sick list. Daisy Stewart was arrested for stealing $25 from Mrs. Dora Kropp. She confessed her guilt. Miss Lena Hunter has returned home from Cincinnati. Mr. Alex Dortch, formerly of Chicago, is visiting friends and relatives here. Mrs. Lucas, of Evansville, gave a lecture in this city, subject, "Light." Rev. Mitchell, the new minister, has arrived here. Mr. Sylvia Howard lost one of his older children on the 24th. Obe Smith was fined $4 for playing drunk and being disorderly. Miss Clarissa and Mr. Otto Marquesse, an eloping couple, were married by 'Squire Caldwell. Gen. G. T. Boyd was invited to Nashville, Tenn., to attend the parade.

RACE GLEANINGS.

Six Negroes sailed recently from New York for Liberia, Africa, where they go to prepare for the coming of others.

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The Harriet Beecher Stowe Lyceum is the name of a literary society recently organized by the young ladies of colored High school of Washington, D. C.

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The Jackson Bros. of Pittsburgh, Pa, have entered suit for $1,000 damages against the Birmington Traction Road for the death of their mother.

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Miss Anna H. Jones of the Lincoln High School, Kansas City, has received a call to be one of the faculty of the Washington, D. C., High School.

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Byrd Prillerman of Charleston, W. Va, has had the degree of A. M. conferred upon him by the Westminister college of Pennsylvania at its last commencement.

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There are seventy-five colored men in the government department in Chicago. Mrs. George Board, a colored lady, is cashier at the Tremont House, a large hotel in Chicago.

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Mrs. M. C. Terrell, a graduate of Oberlin College, and one of the best German scholars of the race, has been appointed to a temporary position in the High School of Washington, vice Miss Mary Paterson.

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Miss Cora E. Dorsey has been appointed teacher of stenography and shorthand at Howard University, Washington, D. C., this week. The people generally are pleased with the appointment.

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Sedalia, Mo., has a representative of the race who occupies an enviable position. He is a brass machinist in the big shops of the K. M. & T. Railway in this city and commands first class wages among his fellow machanics all of whom are white.

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The organ in St. Matthew's Church, Detroit, Mich, was designed and built by Joseph Dickenson, a colored employe in the Detroit Clough Warren Company. The organ is said to be one of the finest of its size in the country, and is run by electricity.

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The Colored Masons of New Orleans have broken ground at the corner of Common and Franklin streets for a magnificent temple, which is to be erected for the use of the fraternity. The plans and specifications call for a five-story brick edifice of an imposing style of architecture. The building will cost $35,000.

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A colored woman named Edith Ward died at Canon City, Col., a few days ago, leaving $3,000 and an estate valued at several hundred dollars, all of which, in consequence of no known heir, will go to the school funds of the State. Mrs. Ward came from Leavenworth, Kan., and had a son of whose whereabouts she knew nothing.

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Albert H. Postel, of Lansdowne, Pa., will give an illustrated lecture, entitled The Star of Bethlehem, Dec. 19th at Philadelphia, Pa., for the benefit of the Home for aged and infirm colored people. Mr. Postel's illustrations are very fine, he having taken his own views, from which he had lantern slides made at a great expense.

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Dr. Chas. W. Ellis of Saginaw, Mich., a graduate of the Detroit Medical College, was associated with Dr. Ross, one of the cldest and best physicians in Saginaw. Dr. Ross, at his death has left Dr. Ellis surgical instruments and office furniture to the value of $1,000, besides a practice comprising the best and wealthiest families of the city. Dr. Ellis has served three terms as Health Inspector in Saginaw.

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Pearly Byrd, a little colored bootblack of Leavenworth, Kansas, has fallen heir to an estate in Tennessee. As nearly as can be ascertained, his fortune comprises about $800 in cash, besides some valuable real estate. Pearly is one of the best known and most industrious bootblacks in the city. He went to St. Joe last summer during the races and earned some money working among the horsemen and on the street.

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WOMAN'S WORLD.

Instructive and Interesting Items of News

Gleaned from Philosophers' Puns and Press Comments Pertaining to Women.

THE ADVANCED WOMAN.

She went round and asked subscriptions
 For the heathen black Egyptians
And the Terra del Fuegians,
 So she did;
For the tribes round Athabasca,
 And the men of Madagascar,
And the poor souls of Alaska,
 So she did:
She longed, she said, to buy,
 Jelly, cake and pie
For the Anthropophagi,
 So she did.

How she loved the cold Norwegian,
 And the poor half-melted Feejian,
And the dear Molucca Islander,
 So she did;
She sent tins of red tomato
 To the tribes beyond the equator,
But her husband ate potato,
 So he did;
The poor helpless, hopeless thing
 (My voice falters as I sing)
Tied his clothes up with a string,
 Yes, he did.

—Saturday Evening Gazette.

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Great honor is due those women who have the courage to be old maids rather than heartbroken wives.—Ram's Horn.

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When the Empress Josephine ordered a $2,000 dress Napoleon did not prance around and denounce her extravagance. He merely sent the dressmakers to prison. This is one reason why so many husbands hold such a high opinion of the Emperor.

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Mr. and Mrs. Henry H Houston of Philadelphia, have contributed $100,000 toward the erection of a students' hall for the University of Pennsylvania, of which Mr. Houston is a trustee. The gift is a memorial of their dead son, and the building will be known as "Howard Houston Hall."

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Miss Kate Field has been decorated by the French Government for her literary services. She has received an official communication from M. Patenotre, the French Ambassador, informing her that his Government has conferred upon her the "Academic Palm," instituted to recompense artists and authors.

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One meets now much oftener than formerly men and women going about with the peculiar eyeglasses worn by persons who have submitted to treatment for cataract. The pupil of the eye looks abnormally large as seen through the glass lens. The ease and certainty with which the operation for cataract is now performed have induced many purblind sufferers to submit to it.

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Judge J. V. Coffey, of San Francisco, who, though a bachelor, is said to be as learned in the ways of women as he is in the law, recently made the remarkable statement that at law women are "unreliable, suspicious, unreasonable and ungrateful." Like the sound lawyer that he is, the able jurist gives reasons for his opinions. Judge Coffey maintains that women, if they think a thing ought to be true, will declare it to be true so often that they will end by believing it.

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The Russians clean their furs after this fashion: Rye flour is placed in a pot and heated upon the stove, with constant stirring, as long as the hand can bear the heat. The flour is then spread over the fur and rubbed into it with a vigorous hand. After this treatment the fur is brushed, or, better, is gently beaten until all the flour is removed. Furs treated in this manner are said to resume their natural color and luster and look like new.

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Bodices of different fabrics from those composing the skirts accompying them are quite the order of the day, and it is not at all unusual for several fabrics to be combined in the one gown; but only the true artist can hope to make the combination so skillfully as to insure a harmonious result. As to the sleeves, they may with equal propriety match either the bodice or the skirt, as the individual fancy suggests; most frequently the upper part is of one fabric and the lower of another.

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A clever device of the florist to prevent flowers in large open bowls from falling together and crowding each other is the use of a piece of wire netting placed over the mouth of the bowl. That in which the meshes are about half an inch square is best for the purpose, and the pieces should be cut the exact shape and a trifle larger than the vase or bowl in which they are to be used. After filling the receptacle with water, lay the netting on top and arrange the flowers, one or more in each mesh. In this way they are kept in perfect position, while the netting itself is invisible, and an added advantage is the ease with which the water in the bowl may be changed, it being only necessary to lift the netting off, flowers and all, and replace it in the same way.

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The Southern girl of the old regime, writes Julia Magruder in the Chicago Tribune, is passing away, with other things that pass, and we are not wholly consoled for her loss by the belief that we shall have something better in her stead. As she travels more and becomes more of the world worldly, the freshness and fineness of her flavor will necessarily be dissipated. Even now we begin to notice and to half deplore the creeping in of innovations. When one of our Southern beauties, for example, goes to the North and makes her record there and wins her meed of praise she comes home to us distinctly changed. She is better style, perhaps. She has learned a certain self-control and reserve. She is more distinguished in her person and her dress. All this she has gained, but there is an indescribable something that she has lost. Again we recall the indisputable wisdom of an axiom and say: "Nothing for nothing," and we are thankful for the gain and reconciled to the loss!

A Bazaar Given For the Pastor.

Decatur, Ala., Special.

Mrs. Amey Shadavaughn died Nov. 19th at 2 o'clock a. m. Rev. M. J. Hocks preached a very interesting sermon Sunday at the Missionary Baptist church. Mr. Lockheart, Miss Dora Higgins and Alex Smith visited Athens Sunday. Miss Maria Murphy who was called home at the death of her Aunt has returned. Mrs. Tannie Raimy raised $25 03 on the suit of clothes for the pastor of St. Church Mrs. Alice Bridgefort raised $24 06 for the same purpose, Mrs. Almeda Sykes raised $6 60, Mrs. Lizzie Carpenter $8 25 and Mrs. Perkins $2 60. Rev. I. Townsend, of Birmingham, is in the city this week. Mr. Sol Sykes will kill five hogs soon averaging 270 lbs. each. Rev Gardner's supper was a success. Dr. W. E. Steers patients are keeping him steadily on the go, friends pay your doctor bills and your accounts to the payman Miss Fannie Carpenter and Miss Bertha Schandlies and others did earnest work during the entertainment.

Mr. W. B. Lemons royally entertained the Sunday-school Board and choir at his residence Monday. Nuts, grapes and apples were in abundance. Misses Carpenter and Wise and Mr. John White delivered fine orations at the Silver Leaf Club Thursday. Vivian Cashins piece on women's rights has attracted the attention of friends abroad. The first Baptist church of Decatur, will have a Bazaar on the 18th of next month for the pastor. Miss M. B. Rice and Miss Sallie G. Harris are at the head of the Bazaar. Mr. Jack Waldin is running a first class meat market.

Orange Blossoms.

Poplar Grove, Ark. Special.

The Missionary Baptists have recently purchased a lot and they are making every effort to erect a church in the near future. Dock Jeffries and Miss Sallie were united in matrimony on the 15th inst., at the A M E. church. Rev. A. G. Washington officiated. Dr. W. C. Wareagle was in town last Thursday. C. L. Hoard returned from the annual conference which is in progress at Marianna, and reports a grand time. The officers of the A. M. E. church anticipates giving a grand entertainment for the purpose of improving the church, on the 23rd inst. Wesley McDaniel is visiting relatives in Mississippi. M. M. Foulks the shoe maker can be found at his post every day. We are glad to note that James Greer is having a splendid success with his grocery. Those wishing The Freeman will please call at Mr. Greer's grocery every Saturday.

OUR REPRESENTATIVE PRAISED.

God Bless the Dear Old Freeman—Wanted More Men like Grant S. Neal.

Pine Bluff, Ark., Special.

EDITOR FREEMAN—Dear Sir Mr. Grant S. Neal your active and energetic agent has just closed a weeks canvasing for your famous journal in our busy little city, and is now taking in some of our smaller towns in this county. At the end of this week he will return to this city, and add to his list a few more names of our good people. The Freeman has many friends in this city, and the time is fast approaching when its friends will be legion Its agent Grant S. Neal, is a young man of great worth to his race. Possesed of fine business and social qualities his visit to this city will add many good names to The Freeman list. I would to God that we had many more young men like Grant S Neal. If the Freeman will secure the services of a few more young men like Grant S. Neal and send them down South it will not be long before the paper will find its way into the homes of thousands of Negroes, who do not know as yet that such a paper is published. Please pardon me for talking so much of your valuable time. God bless the dear Freeman and may it be strong and fearless and live long to defend a poor and oppressed race. With many good wishes I beg to subscribe myself your devoted friend J. C. BATTLE.

A Meeting of Power and Note.

From Lafayette, Ind., Morning Journal.

The A. M. E church on Perry street, this city, is the scene of a wonderful revival of religion, such as has not been known in colored society of church circles for years. The building is thronged nightly with both white and colored people and a more orderly time was never witnessed inside of a building. The services have been in progress one week only, during which time the altar has literally swarmed with penitent sinners. The members are wild at times with religious enthusiasm and their shouts are often heard in Zion. Last night they held on until midnight, trying to work some through. Over twenty have been added to the church, all good and substantial members. Their pastor, Rev. S M. Smothers, has a national reputation as a trained evangelist as well as a pastor, hence they are doubly blessed in having him as their shepherd this year. In the past eighteen years of his labors in the gospel, which has been most famous in Ohio, West Virginia, Tennessee and Indiana, over 5,000 souls have been brought to know Christ in the pardon of their sins, three-fifths of whom have been white, the residue colored. His services have been sought for by prominent white churches as well as colored ones. The revival line cuts no figure with him. To hear him tell it "he has been raised to be philosophical," and not a "crank," belives in the fellowship of Christians and the unity of the church of Christ every night, and meetings will be held everywhere this week, commencing at 7:30 p. m. Everyone who so desires to attend will be made welcome.

Obituary.

Victoria British Columbia, Special.

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Jan. 12, 1894. Fort Wayne, Ind.

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S. W. GREEN,
Jan. 1, 1894. Lake Providence, La.

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E. W. CLARK,
Jan. 10, 1894. Georgetown, Tex.

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H. P. GUILKEY,
Jan. 12, 1894. Macon, Miss.

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R. E. LEE, U. S. Hotel, Boston.
Jan. 11, 1894.

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J. C. SIMMONS, Leflore, Miss.
Jan. 6, 1894.

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J. R. JOHNSON, Osceola, Ark.
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J. C. DANIELS,
Dec. 22, 1893. Florence, Ga.

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I am anxious for your paper because it is THE paper of our race, and grandly does it play its part of vindicating the rights of the Negro.

JAS. T. BRYN,
Editor Free Will Baptist Standard,
Jan. 10, 1894. Kingston, N. C.

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I will enclose you $3.00 for The Freeman one year and the School History of Negro race. I have been a reader of The Freeman one year. I feel that I could not be without it.

LOUISA LITTLE, Redding, Cal.
Jan. 10, 1894.

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I am a reader of The Freeman, and can say that I don't think I ever read anything in my life that I enjoyed better, and I don't think any man or woman of color have their homes complete without it.

DANIEL BURTON,
Jan. 11, 1894. Peoria, Ill.

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Enclosed find $1.00 for renewal of my subscription to The Freeman for the year 1894. I cannot lose The Freeman as long as I can work to earn money to take it. I think it a grand paper for our race.

ELIZABETH DORSEY,
Dec. 30, 1893. West Chester, Penn.

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G. W. DANIELS,
Jan. 7, 1894. Lee, S. C.

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WALTER S. JACKSON,
Aug. 8, 1893. Torresdale, Pa.

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Jan. 8, 1894. Boston, Mass.

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JOSEPH H. GARRETT, Arbutus, Md.
Dec. 17, 1893.

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CHAS. V. MONK, Philadelphia, Pa.
Dec. 27, 1893.

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REV. M. L. LATTA,
President Latta's University, Oberlin, N. C.
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A. E. EASON, Houston, Tex.
Nov. 21, 1893.

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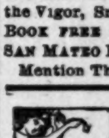

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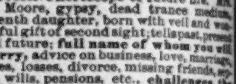

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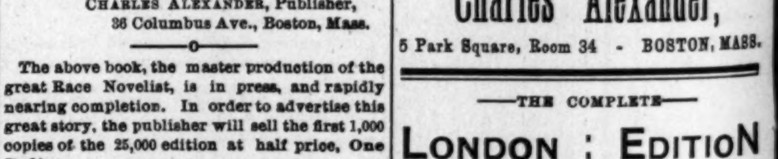

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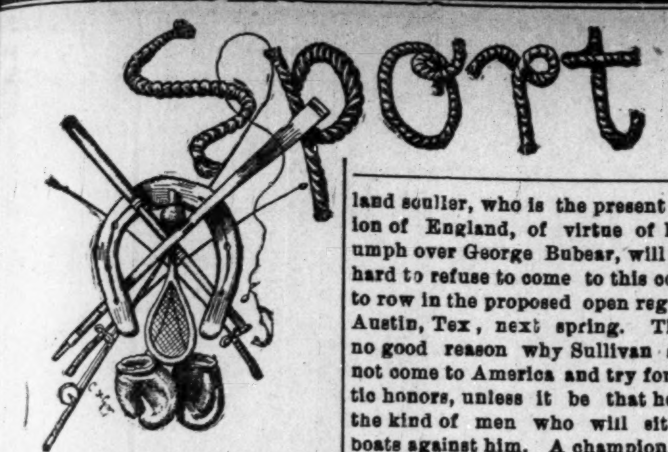

The English champion diver, Fuller, attempted to dive off the Tower Bridge London, into the Thames on Sunday, the distance being 240 feet. He was taken out of the water dead.

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Jack Moran, the Brooklyn feather weight, who recently broke his right hand, will soon be able to don the mitts, and he will challenge the winner of the Plimmer-Kelly fight.

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Frank Godfrey, the assistant instructor at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium at Boston, Mass., while attempting a double somersault at the gymnasium on the evening of the 21st of Nov. fell and broke his neck. Death followed almost instantly.

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A dispatch from Chicago says that Dr. W. F. Carver and Captain J. L. Brewer have been matched to shoot against George Work and J. Seaver Page for $1,000 a side. The match will probably take place at the Westminister Kennel Club grounds.

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Bert Walker, the well-known welterweight wrestler of Cincinnati, has forwarded articles of agreement for a mixed match with Herbert Hale. He wants the match for gate receipts or a side bet and no holds to be barred. Peter Schumacher of Cleveland is after Hale.

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Howard Gould sailed for Southampton on Nov. 21st on the New York to be gone four months. He says the Herschoffs will begin work on his new yacht next week, and that when finished the craft will be shipped to the other side on the deck of a steamship.

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The managers of Eugene Sandow and Irwin Montgomery met in Cincinnati to put up their money on a test of strength. Both showed the color of their money, but afterward disagreed on the conditions, so that the test was declared off. Sandow wanted only weight business and Montgomery wanted athletic feats included.

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Of the bicycle American riders who have visited France this year it is only the sprinters who have been successful. The long-distance men have been beaten. Waller who has just returned is reported to have failed to cover his expenses, while Ashinger returned in the early part of the season, a subscription having to be got up to pay his expenses.

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The inquest over the body of Cornelius Riordan, the prize fighter wh became unconscious while sparring with Bob Simmons on the night of Nov. 16, and died a few hours later, was held in Syracuse, N. Y., Nov 22. Many witnesses were examined. The jury, which was composed of some of the representative business men of the town, brought in a verdict at 1 o'clock exonerating Fitzsimmons.

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If nothing else can be said of Frank Ives, it must be admitted that he will play billiards whenever the opportunity offers itself. Conditions, time nor place seem to have any influence over him, any more than has the defeats he has already sustained at the hands of Jake Schaefer. Ives is a game billiardist, even if he isn't champion. The match between these men will serve to heighten the interest in the gentlemen's game, as all the matches played by these experts have already done.

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Ernest Roeber, instead of meeting Wittmer the Cincinnatian, sent his brother up for slaughter first. Fred Roeber's defeat at the hands of Charley Wittmer is a thing in which the public takes no stock. Ernest Reober is the man the public wants to see meet Wittmer. The latter has tried hard to arrange a meeting, but Ernest fights shy If men doubt the latter's ability to win from the Porkopolitan, Roeber must blame himself. He certainly acts as though he feared a meet.

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Entries for the grand international bicycle tournament at Madison Square Garden, New York, Tuesday, came in with a rush. All of the best of the professionals and cracks in the A and B classes competed. The presence of the foreign professionals created a furor in racing circles. All of the men are acknowledged cracks, holding championships in their respective countries. The list of local racing men is very large, one club alone having entered fully thirty of its men.

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Tom Sullivan, the noted New Zealand sculler, who is the present champion of England, of virtue of his triumph over George Bubear, will find it hard to refuse to come to this country to row in the proposed open regatta at Austin, Tex, next spring. There is no good reason why Sullivan should not come to America and try for aquatic honors, unless it be that he fears the kind of men who will sit in the boats against him. A champion, however, who fears a whipping is a miserable sort of a champion and a shame to the country which he represents. In other words, if Tom Sullivan is not a real champion, he is sailing under false colors, a performance very much unbecoming a champion of England. Our Hanlan went not only to England but he went further; he went to the land of the South seas, where he met his master in the person of William Beach, but even one defeat did not deter him. Ned Hanlan went to Australia four times to row the best man in that country, and four times he was beaten by Beach. Furthermore, when Beach forfeited the championship to Peter Kemp, Hanlan demanded a race with the new champion, and again was Australia victorious over our Canadian-American.

Corner-stone Laying.

Denton, Tex., Special.

Denton is a town of about 5,000 inhabitants situated in the center of Denton county in North Texas and about fifty miles from the Indian Territory line. It is distanced thirty-eight miles north west of Dallas and thirty-seven miles north of Ft. Worth. It has 14 churches—11 white and 3 colored. Three lines of railroads pass through the town, all of them, however, using a joint track, that of the M. K. and T. R. R. There is an excellent society of colored people residing in the city. Messrs Harrison Welch, G R. Welch, G. R. Hodge R. B. Stephens, F. D. Moore, Ben Drennon, Thos. Cook, Henry Mattox and B. F. Crawford are among the leading colored citizens of this enterprising town. Nearly all of the colored citizens here own homes, and there are well-to-do farmers living on their own farms and galore. The denominations represented here are as follows: A. M. E. church, Rev. C. H. Hopkins, pastor; C. M. E. church, Rev. F. P. Gibson pastor; Missionary Baptist church, Rev. Bass, pastor. The public school has an enrollment of 170 pupils with Prof. H. C. Bell as principal and Mrs. Lizzie E. Jarrett of Brinkley, Ark., as assistant. There are two secret societies—Odd Fellows and Masons, together with the ladies' department of each, viz: Household of Ruth and Eastern Star.

Miss Alice L. Doniphen of Kansas City, Mo., and Mrs. L. Gould of Camden, Miss., were applicants for teachers' certificates before the county board of examiners on the 17th inst Both ladies were successful in making the proper per centage, and will teach in the county during the winter. The Denton literary society had the following subject for debate at their last meeting: "Resolved, that minors should not be punished by confinement in the penitentiary for crime." Affirmative, A Lilly; negative Harrison Welch. Miss Amanda Armstrong, of Dallas is visiting friends here. Prof. H. C. Bell, M. V. P. and Deputy District Grand Master of Odd Fellows of Texas was called to Dallas on the 11th to lay the corner-stone for the Odd Fellow's new brick hall. The building when finished will no doubt be the finest edifice owned by any secret society in Texas. It is a brick building and will be three stories high Prof. H. C. Bell visited the Cotton Palace at Waco on the 24th. The Hon. T. Thomas Fortune of the New York Age, delivered an address, subject, "The Afro-American and the South," on that occasion. The Freeman can be found every Saturday at the barber shop of F. D. Moore on North Oak street near the post office.

Colored Americans Day.

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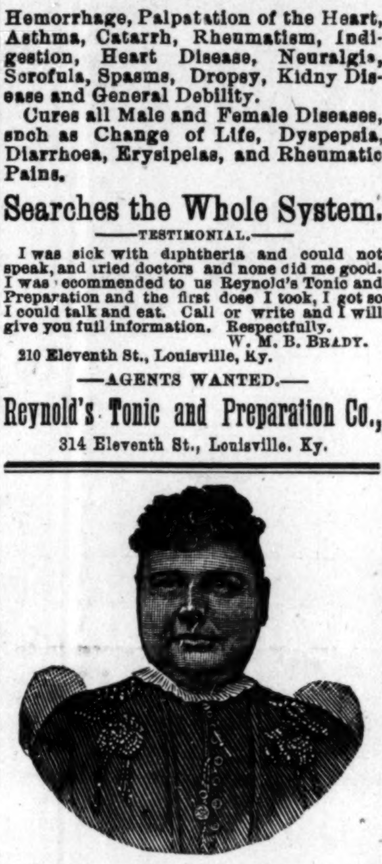

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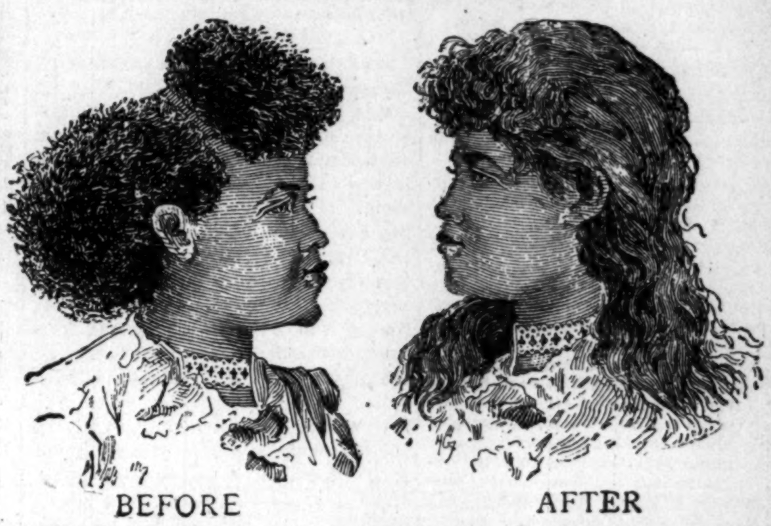

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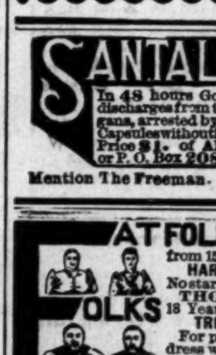

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CITY HAPPENINGS—PERSONAL.

Mrs. C. M. Lee is indisposed.

Miss Sadie Belle Hill, of St. Louis, is in the city.

Ed. McCleland is visiting relatives in Louisville.

Alfred White of 116 Martindale Ave., is on the sick list.

H. L. Sanders was in the city of Lafayette last week.

Miss Fannie McNiel was in Richmond, Ind., Wednesday.

Samuel Partee, the tonsorialist, has returned to the city.

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Miss Mary Hicks, of Louisville, will visit friends of this city very shortly.

The doll and fan drill will come off at Simpson Chapel on next Friday evening.

Mr. Alfred E. Gramby and Miss Anna Burris were married Thanksgiving evening.

Hood literary held a lively session at Lovely Lane church on last Tuesday evening.

A literary society was organized at St. Paul's Temple, Oak Hill, on last Monday evening.

Miss Pearl Amos has moved from Evansville, Ind., and will make this city her future home.

Miss Mary Edwards, of 176 Morris, St., is spending the week with friends in Louisville,

Rev. Anderson Simmons, pastor of the 1st Baptist church of N. Indianapolis is succeeding admirably,

A "Moot Congress" was organized by the literary of New Bethel Baptist church last Monday night.

Adam Smoots, of 296 N. California, St., has been on the sick list for two weeks. At present somewhat better,

Mrs. Lucy Jones and Mrs. B. F. Howard, of Covington, Ky., were the guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Montgomery last Sunday.

Ed. M. Hawkins, Jr., through J. T. V. Hill his attorney, is asking for legal separation from his wife, Carrie M. Hawkins, nee Spaulding.

Personal Mention.

Hail Parker, attorney, of Chicago, was in the city last week.

Benjamin and Wallace Bagby are visiting in Chicago, with views of locating in business.

A. E. Manning, Esq., the next Liberian minister, was in Chicago the first of the week, a guest at the "Keystone."

Messrs. W. Allison Sweeney and Elwood Knox returned from Chicago on Tuesday morning of this week. While in Chicago they were entertained at dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Laing Williams (Fannie Barrier Williams), 77 West Forty-second street, assisted by Mrs R. P, Roots, sister of Mr. Sweeney. They are also under obligations to Mr. William Beasley and "Senator" John Howard, two of Chicago's broadly known and solid citizens, for a delightful trip behind a span of "blooded" nags, the first named gentleman manipulating the "ribbons," to the ruins of the "White City." Their trip, upon the whole, was most delightful, and will long remain a white stone in memory.

The Bethel Literary Concert.

The grand literary concert given at Bethel A. M. E. church Monday evening Nov. 26th was a very interesting affair from start to finish. The audience was rather late gathering, and it is supposed would have been much larger if it had not witnessed a similar occasion a few nights previous, but as it was, a very complimentary crowd turned out. The solos, recitations and duets were beyond criticism. Miss Nettie Maud Christy held the audience spell-bound in her rendition of "In the Gloaming." She has a highly cultivated mezzo-soprano voice of great sweetness, power compass and range, and her remarkable depth and purity of articulation is so perfect, her renditions seem like recitations set to music. Prof. R. B. Shelton, in his baritone solo made a "decided hit. Mr. Shelton has a baritone voice of wondrous effect and dramatic quality. The duet rendered by Mrs. J. P. Shepherd and I. B. Johnston was rewarded by enthusiastic and spontaneous recalls. The subject of the debate, "Resolved that the Women of the United States should vote," was discussed by Mrs. J. T. V. Hill and Mr. G. L. Jones, affirmative, and Mrs. J. P. Shepherd and Chas Stewart, negative. It was very evenly argued. The affirmative had a shade the best of it however, but owing to the way it was decided public opinion defeated them. The number of votes cast was 140—90 for and 50 against. Afterwards refreshments were served.

The Dairy Maids' Drill.

The Dairy Maids' Drill, assisted by a musical and literary program at Bethel A. M. E. church Nov. 22nd was a grand affair and elegantly conducted. The church was crowded to its utmost capacity, and every one seemed very much pleased. The whole program was interesting from beginning to ending. Miss Skinner acted her part as captain to the very letter. It has been unanimously conceded by all who witnessed the affair that the managers spared no pains in making it a success. Great credit is due them.

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The name and address of the colored boy who took a note to the Dennison House Hotel on or about May 17, 1894, calling for a small valise in room 153 This is only for information and no harm will come to the boy. A liberal reward will be paid.

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Quarterly Meeting at Jones' Tabernacle.

The Quarterly meeting held at Jones' Tabernacle [A. M. E. Zion church last Sunday, the 25th was greatly reviving both spiritually and financially under the pastoral charge of Rev. A. Wakefield. The collection from general class to love feast was $93 and some odd cents The success for Christ and the prospect for Rev. Wakefield seems to be shining bright. The Lord is blessing his labors through both his members and friends.

Who Don't Know Him?

"Doc" Zaph the man who for a long time has been the proprietor of what for year was known as Washington Hall, 80 West Washington street. If Mr. Zaph was not, as he is, a reader of The Freeman, we would take pleasure just the same in calling your attention to him, as a most genial gentleman to "drop in" upon when business or chance calls you near his place of business.

He Set a Good Example.

James W. Ross a well-known Indianapolitan and a member of one of the city's old and honored families, whose father built the Ross Block corner of Monumental Place and West Market dropped in The Freeman office one evening this week to renew his subscription to The Freeman, at the same time ordering a copy sent for one year to a friend with his compliments appended. There is perhaps no white gentleman of the present generation of Indianapolis' business men, better known or more esteemed by a large element of our people for his prompt and square dealings and genial manners and ways than Mr. Ross. May the multitude of his friends never grow less, is the only harm The Freeman wishes him.

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Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.

Mrs. Gracie Lowdnes returned last week from Anniston and Talladega. John Mayes returned a few days since from a visit to his home in Morristown, Tenn. Mrs. Rowan was on the sick list last week. Mike Miller, the barber, inflicted several dangerous wounds on his wife last week while under the influence of liquor. He is behind the bars however, and it is thought that he will be dealt with very roughly. W. B. Kennedy has subscribed for The Freeman one year. The Freeman of next week will contain a full account of our Thanksgiving proceedings. J. P. Dixon is out again after a few days illness. Mrs. Lizzie Stipes is in the city visiting relatives and friends. Rev. I. Tolliver, the evangelist from the "Lone Star" state, preached his last sermon here Sunday night. His congregation numbered up in the thousands. Mrs. H. B Louis is visiting her mother in Montgomery, Ala. Buy your coal from the colored coal dealers, as they need, and will appreciate your patronage. They keep all grades and will fill orders as cheap as anybody. They are Frank White, on Whiteside street, and G. W. Jackson on E. Ninth street.

Returned from Conference.

Poplar Grove, Ark., Special.

Rev, J. M. Knight, J. H. Greer, Mrs. Malinda Porter and Eugenia Easton returned from conference last Tuesday. Rev. C. H. Brown is visiting friends and relatives at this place. The Missionary Baptists have purchased a lot to build upon. Rev. H. C. Jones, the new pastor of the A. M. E. Church, will preach his first sermon next Sunday. The New Orleans Concert and Comedy Company was here on the 23d and 24th. Prof. A. Walker opened public school at Trenton on the 26th. Miss Mary Hill had a pleasant visit from her sister. Mr. Nasby McDowell has returned from Austin, Miss. Rev. J. M. Sutton was here last Wednesday. Mr. James H. Greer is having quite a success with his grocery. Friends wishing The Freeman will please remember that it is to be found at Mr. Greer's store every Saturday.

Opening of the New Hotel.

Logansport, Ind., Special.

Mrs. Chester Keene, after a week's visit with her parents, returned to her home at Marion. Elwood Winslow attended the morning services at the church Sunday. On account of ill health he has been unable to attend for some months. L. C. Jones a graduate of the Ann Arbor law school gave a free lecture at the A. M. E. church last week. The New Barnett hotel was opened to the public last week. Mr. Barnett employs colored porters, waiters and cook, Mr. Martin has accepted the position as head waiter. J. W. Taylor left last Wednesday for Ohio, where he spent Thanksgiving with his father and friends. A. J. Allen went to Chicago last Monday on business.

Thanksgiving Services Were Held.

Carmi, Ill., Special.

All of the churches observed Thanksgiving. Jerry Bean and Miss Cordia Morton were married last week. Rev. D Parker is doing revival work at the Mills. Mrs Judd Guard, of Eldorado, is dead. Will J. Smith has filed suit for divorce from Jennie A D. Smith, naming T. E. Grear and Robert Dixon as co respondents. Rev. Chavis preached at Equality on Sunday Mr. Russell, of Vincennes, is in Carrier Mills with his sister Cora. Rev. W. T. Clemons is carrying on a revival at Eldorado. The ladies of Redwood gave a dinner Thanksgiving.

On a Tour Through the South.

Pine Bluff, Ark., Special.

Billy Black, the famous vocalist and comedian, is on a tour through the South He made a pretty big hit in Pine Bluff. Rev. J. C. Sherrill, pastor St. James' M. E. Church, has been on the sick list several days. Rev Wm. P. Keating passed through the city last Saturday, en route to Sherrill, Ark.

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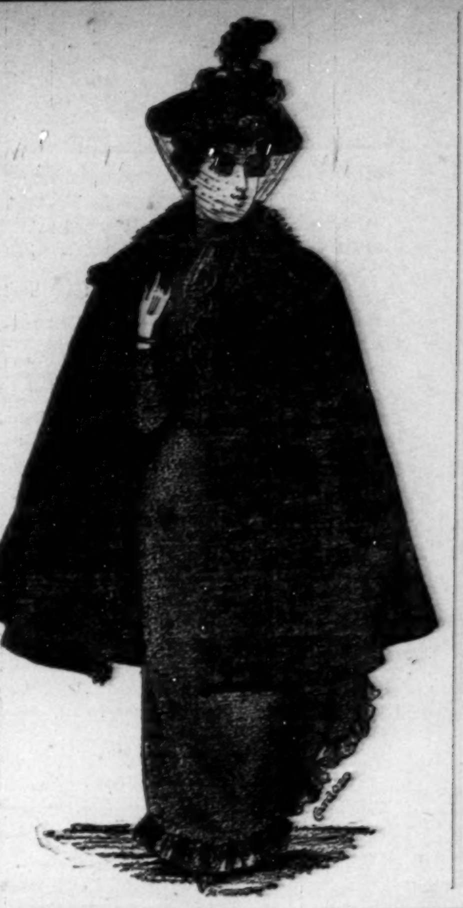

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